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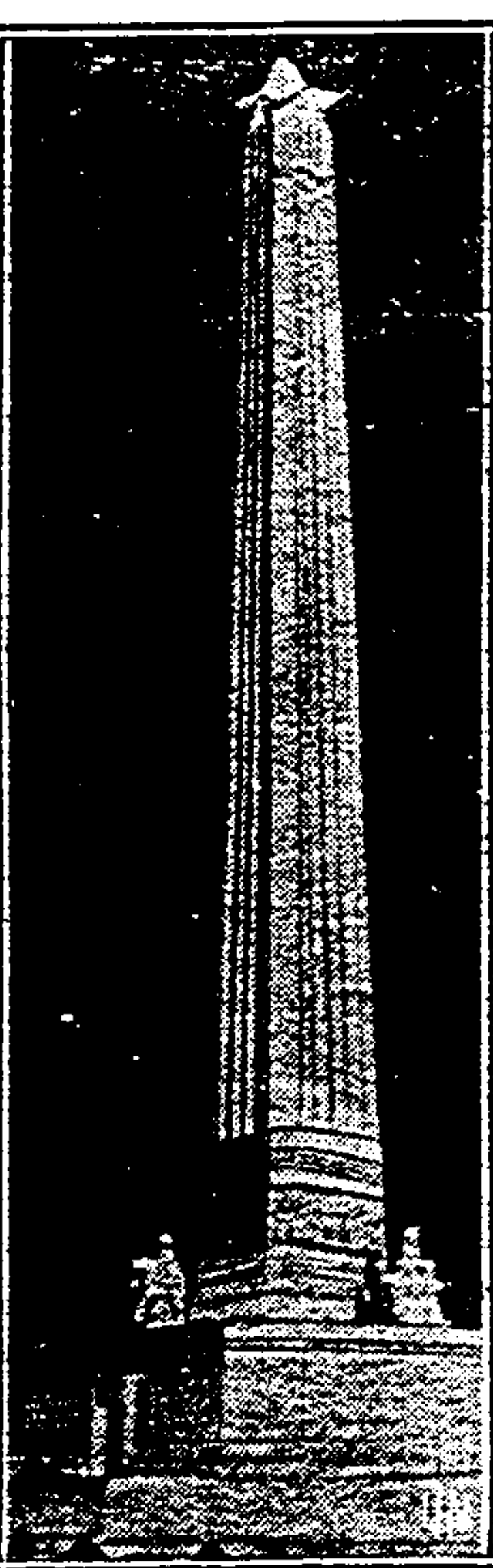
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This U.S.\$1,000,000 shaft, higher than the Washington monument, will be erected on the San Jacinto battlefield near Houston, Texas, in honor of the Texans who, under General Sam Houston, won their independence from Mexico.

WAR SCARE IN NORTH EXODUS FROM MANCHUKUO

Japanese Cabinet Decision

NEW APPROPRIATION FOR ARMY AND NAVY

Shanghai, To-day.

An effect of the war scare in Manchukuo is seen in the flight of panic-stricken Chinese from there. All trains leaving Manchukuo for China are crammed to capacity. An association has been formed to give anti-air raid training.

A Tokyo message states that the Cabinet has decided, in view of the present events in Manchukuo, to appropriate 4,000,000 yen from the reserve funds for the army, 90,000 for the navy, and 170,000 for the foreign affairs department.—Reuter.

MOB TAKES CHARGE

Grave Disorders in Venezuela

SIX KILLED AND MANY WOUNDED

Caracas, To-day.

Six people were killed and many wounded in disturbances following the declaring of a general strike as a protest against a decree establishing a press censorship. All day long the city was controlled by a mob, who looted many residences of officials of the late Government, burning the contents in the streets. All the public services were suspended and the newspapers and commercial houses ceased work.

At the demand of the people the President removed the City Governor, the President of Lara and Zulia provinces and other officials.—Reuter.

"QUEEN MARY'S" DEPARTURE

Ceremony To Be Broadcast

London, To-day.

The arrangements have been completed for the worldwide broadcast of the departure of the liner Queen Mary from the Clyde shipyard where she is being fitted out on March 24 or 25. It is expected that 250,000 people will witness the departure, which will probably take place at about 11.30 a.m.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LOYAL TOASTS

Official Ruling Laid Down

London, To-day.

It is officially announced that His Majesty the King has approved the Home Secretary's recommendation that the loyal toasts at official and public dinners henceforth be to the King, to Queen Mary, and to the Duke and Duchess of York and other members of the Royal family.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

WEATHER REPORT

Moderate north-easterly winds, cloudy, is the forecast for to-day, as issued this morning by the Royal Observatory.



Thomas W. Lamont, J. P. Morgan and Frank A. Vanderlip (l. to r.) are sworn as they appear as witnesses before the United States Senate subcommittee in Washington investigating the financing of World War loans. J. P. Morgan & Co. acted as financial agents for the Allies and Vanderlip was president of the National City Bank in 1914.

NOTED ENGLISHMAN PASSES

Sir Theodore Morison

London, To-day.

The death occurred in Paris yesterday of Sir Theodore Morison, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E., C.B.E., Director of the British Institute, Paris, since 1933 and formerly a member of the Viceroy's Council in India and for 10 years Principal of Armstrong College, Newcastle. He was 73.—British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN WINS ICE HOCKEY

Austrian Success in Figure-Skating

Garmisch, To-day.

Great Britain caused a major sensation yesterday when they won the European Ice Hockey championship for the first time as the result of beating Czechoslovakia by five clear goals in the first match of the final group in the Olympic Ice Hockey series.

The Men's Figure-Skating event was yesterday won by Karl Schaefer, of Austria, with 422.7 points.—Reuter.

AUSTRIAN SUCCESS

Garmisch-Partenkirchen: Austria secured her first Gold medal in the Olympic Winter Games yesterday, when the World Champion, Karl Schaefer, secured the highest points in the optional figure-skating event.

The second place (Silver Medal) was awarded to the German, Ernst Baier, while another Austrian, Felix Kaspar, was third (Bronze Medal).

The first game in the final round of the Olympic Ice Hockey series, for which teams from Great Britain, the United States, Czechoslovakia and Canada, qualified, resulted in a British victory over Czechoslovakia by 5 goals to 1.—Trans-Ocean Service.

EMPIRE SERVICE OF B.B.C.

Increased Interest Evidenced

London, To-day.

The ninth annual report of the British Broadcasting Corporation, published yesterday, records an increase during 1935 of the number of wireless licences from 6,780,569 to 7,408,109. Listeners indicate an increased interest in the Empire Service and more than 27,000 letters and other reports were received in 1935. The report provides valuable guidance in developing the programmes and the technical aspects of the service.—British Wireless Service.

COLONY FOOD SUPPLIES

GOVERNMENT PREPARES FOR ANY EMERGENCY

The question of the provision of food supplies for the Colony in case of war has for some time exercised the minds of the local authorities. It has been recognised that any blockade of the Colony would mean that our food supplies would be subject to interruption, if not actual stoppage.

RESCUE OF ARMEN IN ANTARCTIC

Honour For British Captain

London, To-day.

H.M. the King has approved the appointment of Lieutenant Leonard Charles Hill, Master of the Royal Research Ship Discovery II, to be an Officer of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Empire, in recognition of his services in connection with the search in the Antarctic for the lost American explorer, Lincoln Ellsworth, and his pilot, Herbert Hollick Kenyon.—British Wireless Service.

GOODWILL FLIGHT TO JAPAN

Engine Trouble On One Machine

The three British flying-boats engaged in a goodwill flight from Singapore to Japan are due in the Colony to-morrow afternoon from Manila, though the actual time of their arrival is not definitely known.

Owing to the fact that one of the machines developed engine trouble, a spare engine has had to be sent to Manila from here. It was despatched yesterday and will not arrive there until to-morrow morning.

For this reason it is not yet known whether all three boats will arrive to-morrow or only two of them.

COMING ELECTION IN SPAIN

Left And Right Parties Contending

Madrid, To-day.

Spain is going to the polls for a new Government in which the two parties of the Left and Right are contending the issue. The Right contends that if the Left party holds a majority the nation will become socialistic, while the Left states that if the Right party comes into power the country will strive to restore the monarchy.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LEADING MEMBERS IN FAVOUR

AIR BOMB BECOMING MASTER WEAPON

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS TO BE HEARD BEFORE ACTION TAKEN

London, To-day.

The private bill urging the creation of a Ministry of Defence, the head of which would co-ordinate the work of the Navy, Army and Air Force, provided the material for a full-dress debate in the House of Commons, before the second reading of the motion was withdrawn in deference to an appeal by the Government and Sir Austen Chamberlain.

The discussion revealed that a number of prominent members in all parts of the House supported the Bill wholeheartedly or in a modified form.

The mover, the Conservative member Admiral Sueter, stressed the importance of air attack and declared that the air bomb was gradually becoming the master weapon. He pressed the Government to engage in experiments in the battleships versus bombs question. Let the Admiralty make old battleships as unsinkable as possible and then let the airman do their best.

Admiral Sueter scouted the suggestion that anti-aircraft guns could prevent the bombing of ships and contended that the Dominions should be represented on the proposed new Ministry.

Subsequent speakers emphasised that co-ordination would save millions of pounds and give better services. They asserted that the Committee of Imperial Defence did not meet the situation.

Replying for the Government Lord Eustace Percy defined the preliminary issue as between:

- (1) A federal union of distinct executive departments developing a common line and subject to the Premier's decisions.
- (2) A scheme basing the co-operation and executive unification of the departments under one executive head.

He declared that he could not anticipate the Government statement, but the Cabinet was fully alive to the situation. He appealed to the House not to take a formal vote on the bill.

PREMIER ATTACKED

A striking speech by Sir Austen Chamberlain followed, in which he also advised the House to await the Government's proposals. At the same time he engaged in disconcertingly pointed criticisms of Mr. Stanley Baldwin in connection with his recent declarations on the state of German armaments and other aspects of the international military position, which was based on working information. Sir Austen declared that such statements justified the demand to create changes in order to prevent the continuance of such errors.—Reuter.

WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The marriage took place this morning at the Registry in the Supreme Court, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith officiating, between Mr. Patrick William Osborne of the Hong Kong and China Gas Co., Ltd., and Miss Edith Dorothy Broadbridge, daughter of the late Mr. Crysus Alfred Broadbridge.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Mr. Geoffrey Studholme Wilson, A.S.P., Police Headquarters, and Miss Joyce Noel Harris-Walker, of No. 266, The Peak.

ASKARIS DESERT

MANY FEARED LOST

ITALIANS ADMIT REVERSE

CRACK TROOPS TO BE SENT TO AFRICA

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Addis Ababa, To-day. Reports from Ras Desta announce the arrival in his headquarters, fully armed with rifles, of 600 Askaris of the recently landed troops at Mogadishu from Eritrea.

The leader of the deserters stated that altogether 1,000 well-equipped men had left the Italian lines, and it is feared that the remainder have lost themselves in the desert, or have been recaptured by the Italians.

On the northern front the Italian air attacks continue unabated.

NEW TROOPS FOR AFRICA. Rome. The formation on the northern Abyssinian front of a Third Army Corps, the organisation of which had been quietly progressing during the past few weeks, has now been openly admitted.

At the same time it is reported that a large number of Carabinieri, Italy's best troops, are being transported to East Africa, where they will be formed into special assault battalions.

The strength of the Abyssinian forces, against which Marshal Badoglio is preparing to launch an offensive, is stated by military experts here to be 130,000.

RUMOURS DENIED. Rome. The reports that during his conversation with Secretary of State, Signor Savich, the British Ambassador handed over a note or made a verbal reply to the Italian note of protest against the Franco-British military agreement, are denied in authoritative quarters, it being stated that the Franco-British military agreement.

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MAIL SCHEDULES

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
Bandoeng-Amsterdam via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon

Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

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Letters will be accepted at Hong Kong for transmission by the Chinese Domestic Air Mail Service from Canton to all places in China at the rate of \$1.00 per half ounce unit. The charge is inclusive of the regular postage.

The hours of closing mails for this service at the G.P.O. are:
Canton-Shanghai (via Swatow)—
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Canton-Kiungchow-Nanning—
Mondays and Fridays, Reg. 10 a.m. Ordinary 10.30 a.m.
Canton-Lungchow—Saturdays, Reg. 4.30 p.m. Ordinary 5.00 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays Reg. 10 a.m. Ordinary 10.30 a.m.
At Kowloon Central Post Office the mails will be closed 1/2 hour before the above times.

INWARD MAILS FROM EUROPE

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru	15
Santhia (Imperial Service)	18
Somali	18
Coria (via Suez)	20

FROM SHANGHAI

	Feb.
Szechuen	15
Gneisenau	15
Kitsano Maru	21
Pres. Grant	21
Cathay	22
Bio de Janeiro Maru	22
Conte Verde	23
Chenonceaux	25
Memnon	25

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru	15
Kutsang	15
Ajax	16
Somali	18
Santhia	18
Nagato Maru	20
Pres. Grant	21
Toba Maru	22

FROM U.S.A.

	Feb.
Pres. Grant	21

FROM MANILA

	Feb.
Tjikembang	15
Ajax	16
Atsuta Maru	20

FROM JAPAN

	Feb.
Delagoa Maru	15
Kitsano Maru	21
Pres. Grant	21
Cathay	22

FROM AUSTRALIA

	Feb.
Atsuta Maru	20

OUTWARD MAILS FOR EUROPE

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru (via Siberia)	15
Tatsuta Maru (via Siberia)	18
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.	
Cathay (via Marseilles)	21
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.	
Athos II (via Siberia)	22

FOR SHANGHAI

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru	15
Tatsuta Maru	18
Athos II	22

FOR JAPAN

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru	15
Tatsuta Maru	18
Atsuta Maru	21
Athos II	22

FOR U.S.A.

	Feb.
Fushimi Maru	15
Tatsuta Maru	18

FOR MANILA

	Feb.
Pres. Garfield	15
Tjikembang	18
Change	18

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

	Feb.
Yamaguchi (Australia Service)	15
Cathay	21

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so supermarked.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given above unless otherwise stated and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

AIR MAIL—Imperial Airways via Singapore, Bandoeng-Amsterdam via Singapore, Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon. Correspondence for Europe and for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the General Post Office and Kowloon Office. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the General Post Office. Special rates for airmail service, correspondence will be accepted by the first service available.

Glimpses of Military Career of Britain's New King



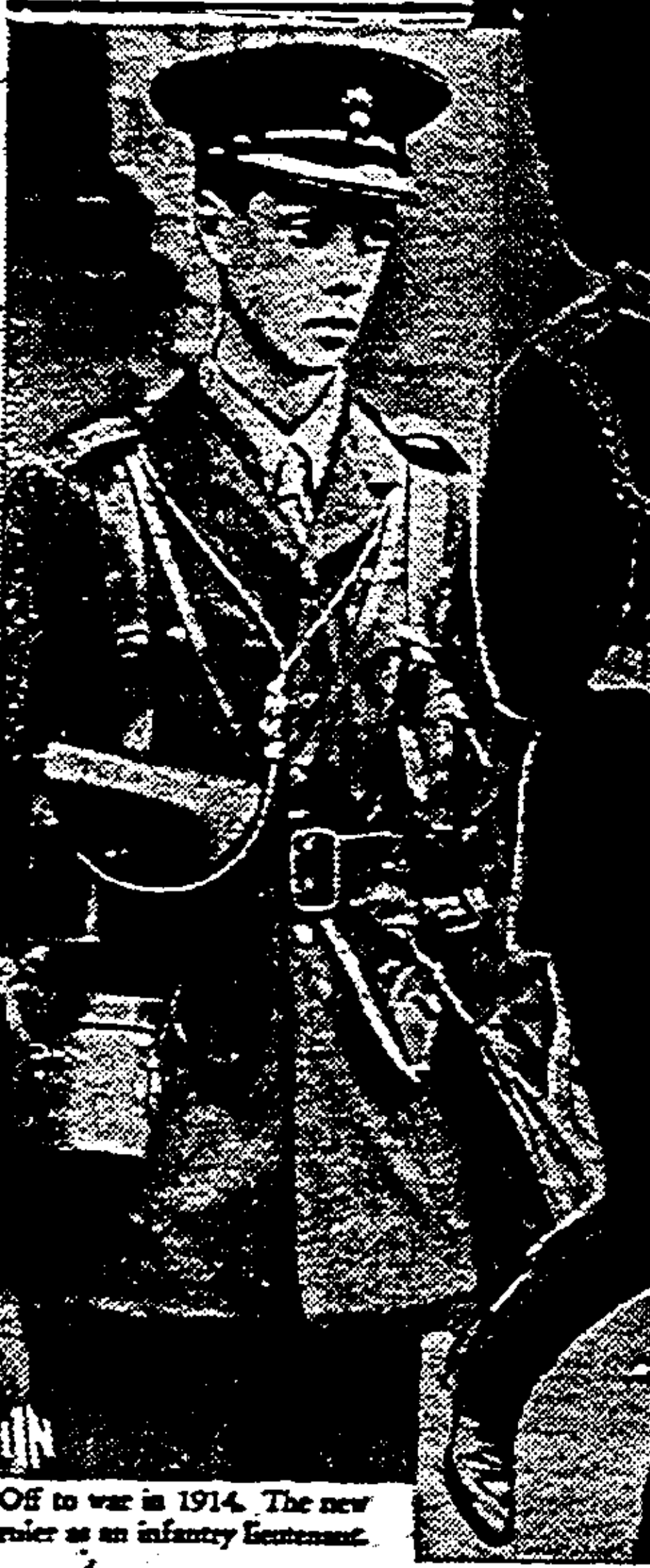
The future monarch in the age of 8 in his first uniform, that of a British sailor.



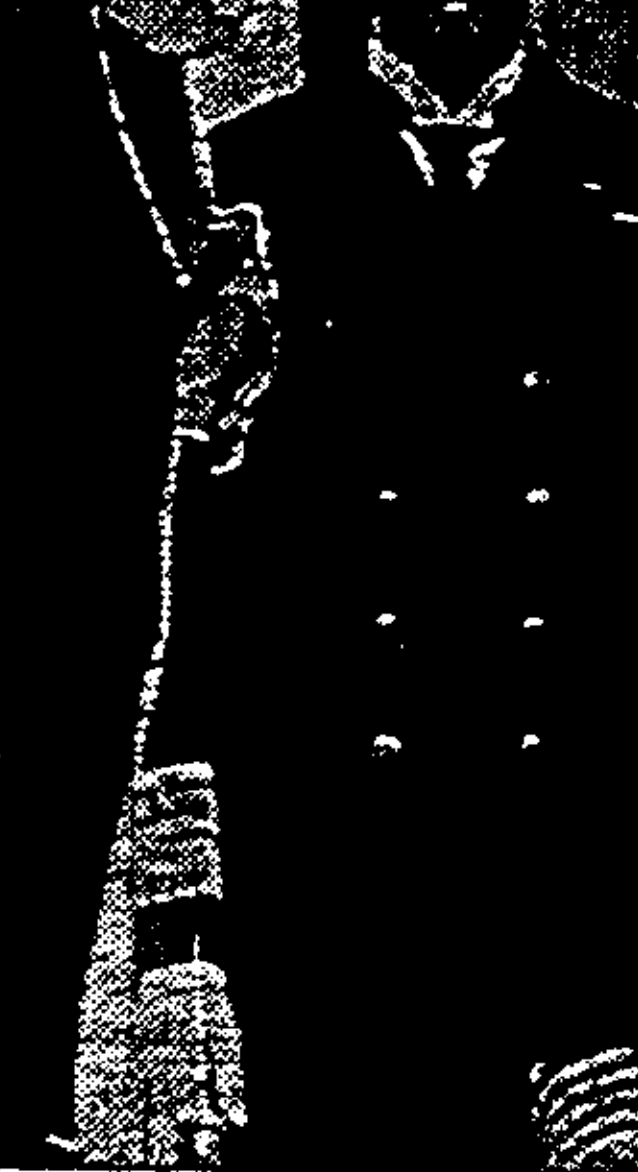
Edward, Prince of Wales, as a commander of the Royal Navy.



British rulers, new and old. Edward VIII and his father, the late King George V, in portrait made last year.



Off to war in 1914. The new ruler as an infantry lieutenant.



And as a Colonel of the Guards.



Three generations of British rulers. The late King George V, the late King Edward VII and King Edward VIII pictured in 1905 when the new king was 14 and his father was Prince of Wales.

Britain's New King as Diplomat and Sportsman



At Annapolis with the then Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Assistant Secretary Franklin D. Roosevelt.



The new monarch is an expert aviator and expert pilot.



An informal photograph.



King Edward and M. Pierre Laval.



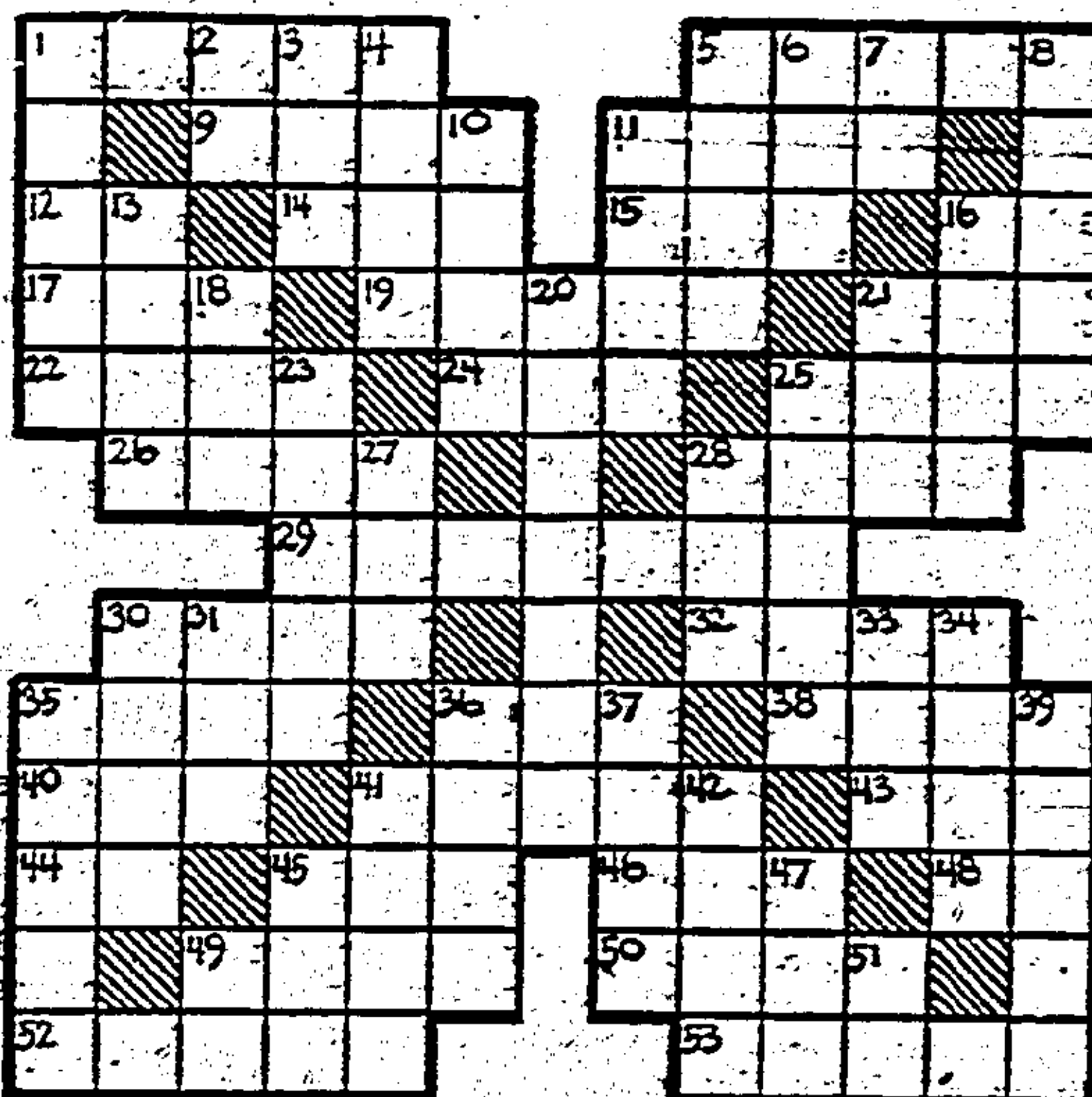
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and atho.



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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1—Unto the time of | 40—Noah's ship | 13—A gem |
| 5—Life | 41—Stripes | 16—Covers |
| 9—Units | 42—Japanese coin | 18—Three |
| 11—A band worn about the waist | 44—The (Fr.) | 20—Colonist |
| 12—Act | 45—Be able | 21—Tear |
| 14—Dance | 46—Bow the head | 22—Pertaining to the navy |
| 15—Terminates | 47—Liquid measure (abbr.) | 25—Change the form of |
| 16—Musical note | 48—Separate | 27—Butt |
| 17—Prefix. Upon | 50—Train | 28—Serpent |
| 19—A flower (pl.) | 52—A bird | 30—Scarcely |
| 21—Edge | 53—Turkish official | 31—Large deer |
| 22—Shower | | 32—Auto fuel |
| 24—Half a score | | 34—Walk |
| 25—Assists | | 35—Advances by alternate steps |
| 26—One who tells a falsehood | | 36—Wish |
| 27—Mountains in Switzerland | | 37—Tails |
| 29—Largest | | 38—Penetrate |
| 30—A paper measure | | 41—Tree covering |
| 32—Wooden pins | | 42—Solitary |
| 35—Rampart | | 45—Vehicle |
| 36—Nasty | | 47—Pale |
| 38—Grade | | 49—Italian river |
| | | 51—Pronoun |

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

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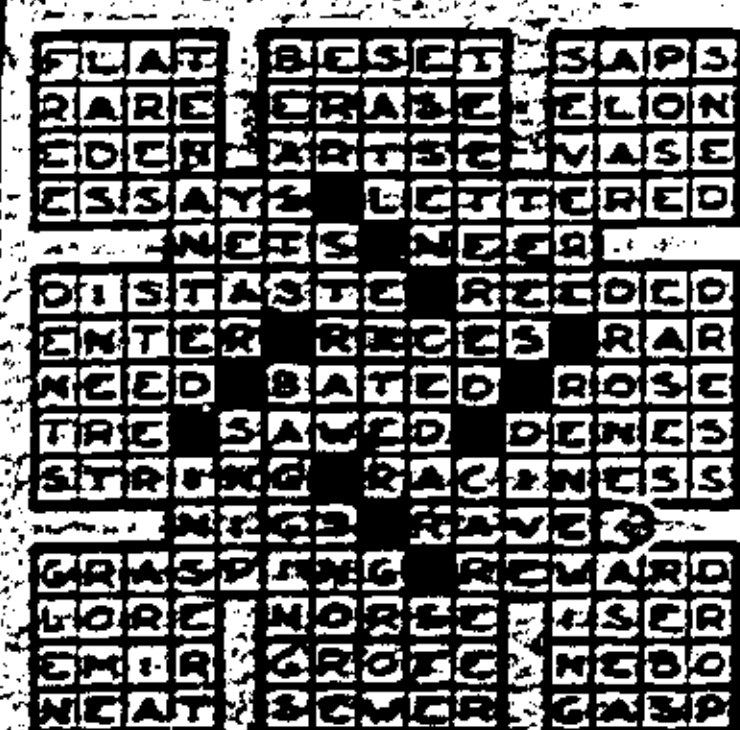
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Company Meetings

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 15th February 1936, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 15th February 1936 to SATURDAY, 15th February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 30th January, 1936.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February to SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1936.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary,
Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

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THE INSTITUTE will be re-opened on MONDAY, 17th February, 1936.
Entry Forms and copies of Prospectus may be obtained at the Education Department or at the Central British School.

J. RALSTON,
Director.

GENERAL NOTICES

NOTICE

THE COSMOPOLITAN HOUSE of 57-59 Nathan Road, is in no way connected with the International Boarding House formerly carried on at the same address and the Cosmopolitan House is in no way responsible for any liabilities of the International Boarding House.
Dated 7th February, 1936.

TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC,
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LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

The following are the dates of the forthcoming Examinations:—

PRACTICAL

(Vocal & Instrumental)
From 16th to 28th May 1936
Last Day of Entry:—28th February 1936

THEORETICAL (Paper Work)

On Saturday 13th June 1936
Last Day of Entry:—6th March 1936

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SPORTS CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Selling Lotteries will be held at the Club on
Saturday, February 15th at 9 p.m.
Monday, February 17th at 5.30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 19th at 5.30 p.m.

Lotteries each day will be on:—
The Valley Stakes,
The Hong Kong Derby,
The Booty Hill Derby.

Subscription Lists are available at the Club.

V. E. DUCLOS,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1936.

Amusements
Cinema Notes"MUNTY ON THE BOUNTY"
KING'S AND ALHAMBRA
THEATRES

This picture is a moving drama of mutiny and primitive love, and features Charles Laughton, Clark Gable and Franchot Tone in the leading parts.

Arrive from entertainment, it presents an authentic visual document of one of the most notable chapters of maritime history—the mutiny on the H.M.S. Bounty, 150 years ago.

In the annals of the sea there is no more fascinating story than that told of the Bounty, which set sail from England in 1787, bound for Tahiti.

In charge was Lieutenant Bligh, a harsh taskmaster. Storms lengthened the voyage, food ran low and as Bligh's temper increased he raged at his underfed and embittered crew. The golden days that followed the arrival at Tahiti temporarily quieted his men, but shortly after the start of the return voyage Bligh's tyranny brought rebellion to the breaking point and his men rose in mutiny.

Then followed adventures that have never since had their equal in naval history; Bligh and his eighteen loyal seamen sailing 4,000 miles in an open boat; escaped mutineers seeking refuge with their native wives; Bligh's return and the capture of several of the mutineers; another shipwreck and Bligh again in an open boat at the mercy of the sea on a 3,500 mile cruise; and the final naval court-martial back in England with all its tragedy and faded hopes.

"Mutiny on the Bounty" faithfully follows the original British Admiralty records and the sensational story written by Charles Nordhoff and James Norman Hall.

"HERE COMES COOKIE"—
QUEEN'S THEATRE

In this picture George Burns and Gracie Allen provide all the laughter and hilarious situations in a story that deals with Gracie's experiences when she is given a free rein over her father's vast estate.

George Barbier, anxious to ward off the attentions of a gigolo on his daughter Betty, has his family lawyer, Burns, make over his wealth to Gracie and then goes for a holiday. With a fortune at her command Gracie almost drives Burns insane with her reckless spending.

The climax is reached when she stages a show and turns her entire house into a theatre, and there produces one of the silliest plays and ends it by a scene from Romeo and Juliet, in which she takes a part herself.

"CASINO DE PARIS"—
MAJESTIC THEATRE

Al Jolson and Ruby Keeler head an all-star cast in this picture and there are seven song hits. The big Bobby Connolly dance ensembles in the picture centres around "A Latin Quarter from Manhattan" and "About a quarter to nine," and both these are sung.

Street Sleepers' Society Report

The following is a report of the number of sleepers who occupied the shelters during the seven nights February 7 to February 13 inclusive:—

St. Peter's (West Point)
Capacity—129
Total Sleepers—908.



Richard Dix and Gertrude Lawrence are together in the British Imperial production "Munty on the Bounty" which will be screened at the Majestic Theatre to-morrow.

by Ruby and Al.

Al Jolson, acknowledge the greatest "mammy song" singer of all times, introduces a new style mammy song by the title of "Mammy, I'll Sing About You."

"Casino de Paris" is the title song of the New York night club that Jolson owns in the film and he sings the song with a new found verve, just as he does "Go Into Your Dance," the theme song.

The screen play is by Earl Baldwin, based on a story by Bradford Ropes. Others in the cast include Glenda Farrell, Barton MacLane and Phil Regan.

"I LIVE MY LIFE"—
ORIENTAL THEATRE

Brian Aherne, the English actor, is Joan Crawford's leading man in the virile role of a hard-boiled archaeologist who falls in love with a society girl.

Frank Morgan appears as Joan Crawford's father. Aline MacMahon is prominently cast in the humorous part of the "other girl". Eric Blore is the omnipresent butler. Fred Keating, the Broadway star, plays the archaeologist's rival.

Also in the giant cast line-up are Jessie Ralph, Arthur Treacher, Hedda Hopper, Frank Conroy, Etienne Girardot, Edward Brophy, Sterling Holloway and others.

The story deals with the romance of a sophisticated debutante and a horny-handed young archaeologist.

The locale of the picture shifts between the exotic Greek island of Naxos, New York City and a Connecticut estate.

"BETTY SHARP"—STAR
THEATRE

The long heralded John Hay (Jack) Whitney invasion of the motion picture field is a fact.

The Whitney experimental short, "La Cucaracha," met with such universal public approval that the young financier and sportsman decided to proceed immediately with the tentatively planned programme of productions in the new Technicolor.

"Becky Sharp" is an adaptation of the Langdon Mitchell stage adaptation of Thackeray's famous "Vanity Fair."

In the title role of "Becky Sharp," Miriam Hopkins succeeds a long list of famous actresses who played the part on the stage. Robert Edmund Jones, outstanding designer of the New York stage, was in charge of colour direction. Rouben Mamoulian is the director. "Becky Sharp" is an RKO Radio release.

CUSTOMS SHED
INCIDENTAlleged Removal Of
Woman's Ring

A summons against Mrs. Carmenella Jacquemelle, of Hall Green, Birmingham, alleging an attempt to evade duty on certain pieces of jewellery, was dismissed by the Folkestone Bench recently. The magistrates said they were not convinced that there was any fraudulent intention.

Mr. B. H. Boniface, for the defence, cross-examining Henry M. Bullock, a preventive officer, said: "You made a pretty thorough examination, didn't you—even to the extent of taking a ring off her finger?"

Bullock: Definitely not. A thing I would never do.

Mr. Boniface: I suggest not only did you enquire where she got her engagement ring, but attempted to take it off her finger at the Customs barrier?—Definitely not.

GAIETY GIRLS
AT ORIENTALCapacity Crowds
Expected

Crowds are being attracted to the Oriental Theatre by the Six Gaiety Girls which was packed to capacity last night. The management of the theatre is expecting record bookings at all four shows to-day as it will be the last performance of the Gaiety Girls at this theatre.

The Girls appear on the stage immediately after the film "I Live My Life," featuring Joan Crawford and Brian Aherne.

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NO BRIDGE CONTRIBUTION

Bridlington Town Council decided not to contribute to the cost of the proposed bridge across the Humber as suggested by the Hull authorities.

BRIDGE NOTES

SET THREE

By Ely Culbertson

There are many excellent card players who believe that on all doubtful game hands it is worth while making a three notrump contract. They reason that at notrump the defence is more likely to slip and make the declarer a present of a decisive trick. This policy may be sound when playing against weak opponents but against good players it is likely to cost more than it will ever gain.

The following deal produced the story of an unsound game contract in notrump, which almost paid rich dividends, but which was supported by perfect leads on the part of the defenders.

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

S 3 8 6
H A 4
D A 10 5 3
C A Q J 9
S K Q 10 9 5 4 N S A 7
H Q 7 5 2 W E H K 8 5 3
D 6 4 S D 8 2
C 7 C K 6 5 3 2

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)
North East South West
1C Pass 1D 1S
2D Pass 2NT (1) Pass
3NT (2) Pass Pass Pass

1—Having discovered that the diamond suit is almost undoubtedly solid, South gambles on notrump. He has learned that often the opening leader, when declarer has bid notrump after his overcall, does not lead away from his suit for fear it may be into a tenace.

2—North, of course, had no idea that South held nothing which resembled a spade stopper, so North went to three notrump as a matter of course.

West opened the spade King and East could not overtake with the Ace without setting up the Jack as a stopper. When South ducked, West was somewhat fearful, for a spade continuation would probably lose the entire hope of the defenders if South had held up the Ace. But West finally decided that South would have taken the Ace if he had held it, for then the Jack would have been a sure second stopper. This allowed West to realize that South's notrump had been simply a stab in the dark and he had no semblance of a spade trick. Thereupon West continued with a small spade and East took with the Ace. The spade suit was now solid if West could ever obtain the lead, and East knew this. The question was how to put West back in the lead.

An unimaginative player would automatically have led a diamond toward dummy's weakness. In fact, this was exactly the variation that South was hoping for. He could have taken a diamond lead and finessed the club, losing the finesse but setting up a total of nine tricks.

East was equal to the careful thought demanded by the occasion. South could hardly have bid notrump with nothing in spades unless his diamonds were well nigh solid. There being no hope of an entry in that suit and certainly none in clubs, East was forced to attack the heart suit in order to establish an entry for West.

To do this he invoked a principle of the game made famous by Deschappelles, the old time

RADIO

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

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12.30-1.15 p.m.—European Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Renter Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.45 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
3.30-4 p.m.—Chinese Dance Music.
7 p.m.—12 midnight—European Programme.

7.30 p.m.—Orchestral Music.
Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms).
Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms).
Cossack Dance (from "Maseppa") (Tchaikovsky).

Perpetuum Mobile (J. Strauss).
Triumphal March (from "Carmen") Op. 35 (Bizet).
Yablochko Russian Sailors' Dance (from The Red Poppy Ballet).
Hungarian Dance No. 1.
12.30-1.15 p.m.—Vocal Items.

Pat Moon.
Webster Booth (Tenor).
If love were all ("Efter Sweet") (Goward).

Ivy St. Helier (Soprano).
When I grow too old to dream ("The Night is Young").
Evelyn Laye (Soprano).

The Thought never entered my head ("The House that Jack Built") (Novello).
Moon Enchanted (Sealey).
Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.
Serenade ("The Student Prince") (Romberg).

Richard Crooks (Tenor).
7.50-8 p.m.—"Rhapsody in Blue" (George Gershwin).
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

8.30-9 p.m.—Selections by the New Mayfair Orchestra.
Mother of Pearl (O. Strauss).
Tell her the Truth.
Out of the Bottle.
The Cat and the Fiddle.
8.30-9 p.m.—Variety Items.

Piano Solos—
Melodies of the Month No. 1.
Len Green.
Songs—
Say the Word and it's yours ("First a Girl").
Jessie Matthews.

Orchestra—
Every Night at Eight—Selection.

Vocal Duets—
We just couldn't say Goodbye.
All of a sudden.
Chuck Endor and Charlie Farrell.

Organ Solos—
Hermann Lohr, Medley.
Sydney Gustard.

Songs—
My heart is haunted.
Leslie Hutchinson.

Orchestra—
Mass Rose—Waltz.
8.30 p.m.—Military Band Music.
Floradora—Selections (Stuart).
Marching with Sousa.

Dorothy—Selection (Cebler).
Lynwood—March (Hume).
8.30-9.45 p.m.—A Relay of the Day-venty News Bulletin (Copyright by Renter).

1.45 p.m.—12 midnight—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

10 p.m.—Big Ben.
12 midnight—Close Down.

NOTE:—There will be a relay from the Po Hing Theatre (Chinese) from 2.45 p.m. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles, from 8-11 p.m.

master Whist player, and universally known as the Deschappelles Coup. East laid down the King of hearts. The chance for a game was now gone. If South won with dummy's Ace, East would later take the club King and put West in with a heart to cash the remaining spades. If South allowed dummy to take a low heart continuation by East would force out the Ace nevertheless and the situation would now have been worse.

South did his best. He took the Ace of hearts, ran his five diamonds and desperately finessed the club. East won with the club King and put West in with the Queen of hearts, and when West cashed the remainder of the spade suit, South was down three.

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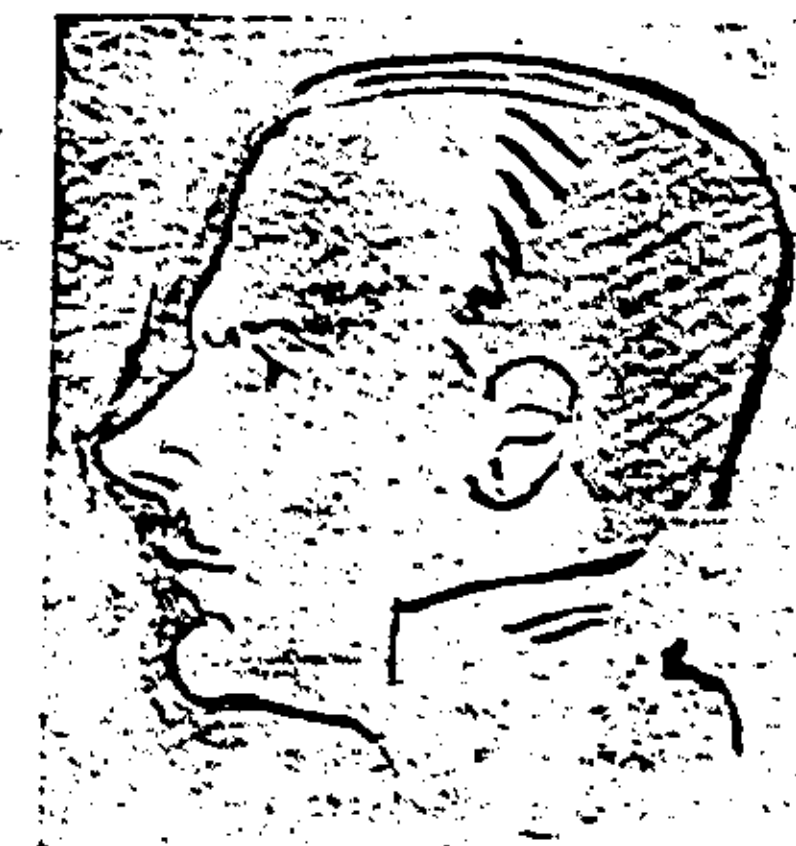
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Sporting Page

THREEQUARTER PROBLEM FOR COLONY RUGBY SELECTORS



H. R. McGilchrist, above, is likely to secure one of the two wing threequarter positions in the Colony Rugby team to meet the New Zealand Universities next Friday at the Valley.



Fung King-cheong, above, will probably lead South China 'A' against their 'B' team in their Senior Division League soccer game to-day.



H. D. Bidwell, former Shanghai Interport Rugby star, above, who is almost a certainty for one of the two centre-threequarter berths in the Colony Rugby team to meet the New Zealand Universities XV next Friday.

CAER CLARK CUP TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY H.K. AND C.B.A. LADIES IN FINAL CLASH CHAMPIONS MAKE CHANGES

ALTHOUGH they lost to Hong Kong Ladies by a two clear goals in their original fixture, the Central British Association Ladies stand an excellent chance of winning the Caer Clark Cup for the first time when they meet the champions this afternoon at King's Park at 3.15 p.m. in their return game.

Probably the most remarkable feature, regarding the C.B.A. Ladies is the fact that they have retained the same team for over a month and have now settled down properly, whereas the champions have made several changes, including Mrs. Selby, on the left-wing, instead of Miss Fergusson, while Miss M. E. P. Smalley will be leading the forwards instead of Miss J. Dalziel, who will be seen at inside-right.

Hong Kong Ladies have a fine defence, but there are weaknesses. Although Miss Smalley is a hard-hitter and has an excellent eye, she is not as fast as her colleague and this is where the C.B.A. might break through. Miss M. Smith, the Interport right-winger, playing opposite.

Mrs. Selby deserved her promotion to the first team.

Wingers' Weakness

Where the C. B. A. will obviously fail is in their wingers and the only possible way they can break through the champions' defence will be through the centre, where Mrs. M. White, supported by Miss M. Smith and Miss D. Hunt, present a very formidable trio.

Miss Bryson, the Interport pivot, should accomplish her task of playing "policewoman" to Miss M. Smalley without undue anxiety, and much will depend upon the support she and her wing-halves, Miss P. Everest and Miss I. Woolley, render their forwards.

The teams are:—
H. K. Ladies:—Mrs. J. Lunson; Miss E. M. Gray and Miss J. T. C. Smalley; Miss K. Glover; Mrs. M. Bell, and Miss B. Helbling; Mrs. W. Marsh, Miss J. Dalziel, Miss M. E. P. Smalley, Miss H. Hance and Mrs. E. Selby.

C. B. A. Ladies:—Miss F. Best; Miss P. K. Walker and Miss P. Woolley; Miss P. Everest, Miss M. I. W. Bryson, and Miss I. L. Woolley; Miss R. Blackmore, Miss M. Smith, Mrs. Margaret White, Miss D. Hunt and Miss E. Rousseau.

TRIANGULAR AQUATIC MEET FOR TO-NIGHT

Karlsruhe To Meet Local Germans

ENCOUNTER DORSETSHIRE AT WATER-POLO

An interesting triangular swimming gala will take place to-night in the European Y.M.C.A.'s heated swimming pool when the German cruiser Karlsruhe will meet the Hong Kong Germans in several swimming races and H.M.S. Dorsetshire at water-polo. The German sailors are said to possess some fine swimmers, but they will meet with stern opposition from the local Germans, whose "star," H. G. Lange, will be seen in the middle distance event.

H. F. Lange, younger brother of the "Y" champion, may again be seen after an absence of over a year. A keen breast-stroker, he is expected to start in the 100 yards event.

The Dorsetshire have a fairly good water-polo team and a keen tackle is anticipated.

The Hong Kong Germans will be represented by W. Foralita, O. Bittzer, H. G. Lange, H. F. Lange, O. May, H. Mueller, W. Sander, and Koelbe.

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SELECTIONS FOR KWANTU

The following are selections for the Grand National Meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club to-morrow:—

FEBRUARY HANDICAP
Don.
Soldier of Italy.
Daylight Eve.
AUSTRALIAN GRAND NATIONAL
Flumery.
The Giraffe.
Morning Dew.
FANLING GRAND NATIONAL
Pride of Tangsao.
Burgomaster.
Festival Eve.
JORROCK'S PLATE "A" DIV.
R. T. P.
West Parade.
Spinaway.
LADIES COUNTRY RACE
Diogenes.
Wendy Stag.
Ebony Idol.
JORROCK'S PLATE "B" DIV.
Racing Spirit.
Matinee Idol.
Darien.

LADIES' OPEN SINGLES LAWN TENNIS FINAL

Mrs. Wilson Favoured To Win

BUT MISS HANCOCK SHOWING VERY FINE FORM

Weather permitting, the Final of the Colony Ladies' Singles Lawn Tennis Championship will take place this afternoon at the United Services Recreation Club at 3.30 p.m., when Mrs. N. Wilson meets Miss R. Hancock, a former finalist.

Both players have been seen at their best this season, Miss Hancock eliminating the champion, Mrs. Kayll, in straight sets in the Semi-Final Round.

The great improvement in Miss Hancock's backhand will stand her in good stead this afternoon, while her rasping drives on the forehand are also likely to have some effect on Mrs. Wilson.

New Champion

Her opponent is undoubtedly one of the finest lady exponents of the game in the Colony and is favoured to win her first Colony championship this afternoon.

In her path to the final Miss Hancock in the top half of the draw, drew a bye into the Second Round where she beat Miss M. Griffiths 6-2, 6-1 and then defeated Mrs. J. F. F. Kayll (Holder) by 7-5, 6-4, in the Semi-Final Round.

Mrs. Wilson also drew a bye into the Second Round where she beat Mrs. B. Thorpe 6-1, 6-0 and Mrs. W. E. B. Dowling in the Semi-Final Round by 6-1, 6-1.

REMEDIOS LOSES

Yan Records Break Of 64

Only one match in the Senior Division of the local Billiards League was played last night, when Yan Charm-pong defeated E. A. dos Remedios by 500 points to 316, at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Yan chalked up the highest break, a 64, against Remedios's 54.

No matches in the Junior Division were played.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEET

There will be a spoon and practice shoot for members of the Hong Kong Rifle Association at Stonecutters to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock sharp.

BIDWELL, BENSON OR RICE-EVANS?

HAMILTON DESERVES SCRUM-HALF BERTH

P. C. FROST AS FULL-BACK?

(By "REFEREE")

SOME very good Rugby is anticipated this afternoon on the Sookunpoo ground at 4.15 p.m., when Probables meet Possibles in the final trial to determine the Colony fifteen to meet the New Zealand Universities' fifteen in their return encounter on the Club ground next Friday commencing at 4.30 p.m.

With H. D. Bidwell, of Shanghai, and now of the Club, available, the centre-threequarter positions present somewhat of a problem and the two berths lie between three players—Surg.-Lt. Benson, of the Navy, Bidwell of the Club, and Lieut. Rice-Evans, of the Army.

While Benson is worth his place for his goal-kicking abilities alone, his defence is very poor and he has very rarely been seen to grass a man in a clean tackle. Bidwell's defence is fairly good and there is no question about Rice-Evans' defence.

CORRESPONDENCE

"Regular's" Lapse Of Memory

[To The Editor "China Mail"]
Sir,—It does require a good memory to be able to look back 25 years and be able to remember the names of players who were outstanding in their days, but to be able to select a team covering that period also requires the ability of comparing the players' seen at different times.

"Regular" has undertaken to choose the best Army team, but I sincerely think that some of the players chosen are far from the best that Hong Kong has seen. I will agree with him as to the goal-keeper, the two backs and Sims, in the centre-half berth. As he has some doubt about the right-half position, I would ask him to recall Everest, of the K.O.S.B., who played for the Colony in the Interport. Surely such a player could not slip his mind.

"Regular" may probably recall Mitchell, the pivot of the East Surreys, who played in all three positions in the intermediate line. Following an injury he played as a wing-half and was definitely superior to his colleague, Bristowe.

Your readers will readily agree with me that, though good as Greene was, there has never been a centre-forward in the Colony like Woodward, of the Queen's Regiment. Unfortunately, Woodward, did not play in the League here, as he went home just at the start of the season, but those who saw him in their friendly games were amazed at his shooting, speed and ball control.

Another poor choice by "Regular" was the left-wing position. I can name at least three Army players who were streets ahead of either Hocquard or Baldry.

Armour, of the Wiltshires, was extremely fast on the wing; he executed perfect centres and was one of the few left-wingers that cut in often and shot. Caldecott, of the Queen's Regiment, who played for Hong Kong in the Interport, was another outstanding left-winger, while the Rev. Alexander, of the K.O.S.B., could teach both "Regular's" selected players a few things.

With the displays of Ridley fresh in mind, I am afraid McGilchrist, of the K.O.S.B., has been forgotten. This player, if I am not mistaken, also figured in the Interport and was the "brains" of the attack of his team.

Another fine Army player of years ago was Bob Menman, who played at centre-forward for his battalion, and on his return home played for a Third Division side at back.

Before concluding I must ask "Regular" to dig up some more

Although McGilchrist has not shown up at all well in recent weeks, the fault is not entirely his as his centre support has invariably let him down. With Rice-Evans supporting him on the inside, McGilchrist should be of immense value to the Colony side.

Hamilton, on his past performances both in the Triangular Tournament series and in the trial, has undoubtedly won his place at the base of the scrum, but the fly-half position lies between Butcher and Hutchison.

Butcher was not wholly at his best in the last trial and it was only when partnered by Hamilton that he showed up in his true colours, but Hutchison, on the other hand, played consistently well through the trial, although he was very poor in the Interport game. However, this afternoon's encounter should settle this position.

Fraser, who played against the New Zealanders on their last visit here, has fallen off in recent games and his over-fondness for kicking has seen some excellent openings ruined.

Davies Not Available

Floyd, of the Army, is a certainty for the right-wing three-quarter berth and it is a pity that Davies, also of the Army team and Floyd's regular centre, is not available.

The Probables' front row, as it now stands, is about the best in the Colony, although Mene Light's return to the game may see a change. Walkden and Cullinan have no rivals as the second row pair.

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old players as he will find that he still could select another team to beat the one he has chosen.

Yours etc.
"DARTS"

INVITATION TO JACK RODGER

[To The Editor "China Mail"]
Sir,—I have no intention whatever of entering the highly controversial Football Club argument as no doubt "Unomee" and "Interporter" etc. are well qualified to make their respective selections, but as one who played regularly with "Coem" at his best, I wonder what real qualifications your correspondents have who cannot even spell names correctly.

I suggest, Mr. Editor, that Jack Rodger be invited to put his selection on paper as he has played with practically everybody mentioned and was, I think, the "Skipper" of the last Club team to win the Shield.

"FORWARD"

THE RIFLES FAVOURED TO BEAT CLUB

GOOD FOOTBALL CARD TO-DAY

SOUTH CHINA "DERBY"

The First Division League soccer clash between the Hong Kong Football Club and the Royal Ulster Rifles to-day at the Valley will feature the big programme of 14 matches, four of which are senior ones.

The Club are fielding the team they intend playing against the Police in their Semi-Final Round encounter in the Senior Shield next Saturday, Robertson being at right-half instead of M. L. Railton, who, because he is shortly leaving the Colony for Tientsin on transfer, will play for the second team.

The Rifles secured a notable victory recently when they shattered South China "B's" unbeaten record and they are now favoured to beat the Club this afternoon.

Saints Have Costa

Another exciting game will be witnessed at Causeway Bay where the Saints entertain Recreio for the fourth time this season, the last being in the Senior Shield, which they surprisingly won.

The teams are making several changes, Costa returning to the Saints' defence while A. V. Gosamo is taking Beltrao's place at centre-half for Recreio, the latter being on the injured list.

Champions Should Win

South China "A" should beat their "B" team comfortably in their "Derby" match at Caroline Hill, while the Kowloon and Lyemmn senior clash will probably see the former win by a narrow margin.

There is an interesting junior programme in which all the away teams are favoured to win, with the exception of the Third Division match in which the Chinese Police are favoured at home against the Sappers.

THE BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

Taikoo Withdraws From League

A meeting of the Badminton Association will be held in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post next Friday, when the resignation of Dr. H. D. Matthews, one of the vice-presidents, will be laid before the meeting. Dr. Matthews is shortly leaving the Colony.

Another subject will be to consider the date and place for the presentation of the league trophies.

It is also expected that Taikoo's formal application to withdraw from the men's doubles division will be presented to the meeting for confirmation and that a decision will be made concerning the team's league record to date. It will more than likely be expunged from the league table.



Miss J. Smalley, above, the H. K. Ladies' left-back, will be given her greatest test to-day in the match against the C.B.A. Ladies at King's Park.



Mrs. M. Bell, above, the H. K. Ladies' pivot, will have the responsible job of marking Mrs. White, the C.B.A. Ladies' leader, in their all-important Caer Clark Cup fixture this afternoon.

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INDIANS V CLUB FOR CRICKET TITLE

CRICKET NEWS FROM NEAR AND FAR

THE M.C.C. Committee have sent \$50 to the fund making provision for the widow of H. R. Cameron, the South African cricketer. The secretary, Mr. W. Findlay, in a letter says: "Jack Cameron was not only a magnificent cricketer, but a dear fellow." Subscriptions in South Africa and Rhodesia alone are expected to reach \$5,000.

PROMISING SLOW BOWLER
JACK Phillips, the young Borton left-hand slow bowler, will be watched by the South African Test Selectors when he plays for Border against the Australian touring team at East London.

A younger brother of Denis Morke, the Test player, is included in the side. He is Ray Morke, a left-hander.

NEXT TEST MATCHES
DATES of the five Test matches to be played by the M.C.C. team to tour Australia next winter were announced recently by the Australian Board of Control. They are:—December 4, Brisbane; December 18, Sydney; January 1, Melbourne; January 29, Adelaide; February 26, Melbourne.—Reuter.

FIGHTING INNINGS
BUT for a fighting innings of 76 by their captain, S. Wazir Ali, All-India would have been in a sorry plight in their third unofficial Test against Australia. They were all out for 149, to which Australia replied with 71 for three.

When Wazir Ali came in three wickets were down for 35, and he started for the remainder of the innings. He played solidly for an hour and a half before lunch while making 40, but after the interval he opened his shoulders. He hit a dozen boundaries before being caught in the slips.

THIS RECORD NONSENSE
HAS it ever struck you how many to-day are "record-men"?

Recently, Grimmett, in the course of taking four wickets against South Africa, exceeded the "record" of Sydney Barnes, Grimmett has now taken 193 wickets in Test cricket. Barnes took 189. So, in the minds of many, Grimmett is already four wickets a better bowler than Barnes.

Funny, how this silly business seems to cling mainly to cricket. Bradman, a great batsman, holds the world's record for the highest innings—452. It is believed, against Queensland—whose fast bowler, Eddie Gilbert, holds another record, that of being the first bowler in the world to be "no-balled" for intimidating the batsman!

Not long ago Bradman, who has migrated to South Australia, made 357 runs; so vast was his score that his team could not quite enforce a win. He batted too long.

BRADMAN TAKES A CHANCE
BRADMAN, on winning the toss, put Queensland in to bat first in the Sheffield Shield match against South Australia at Brisbane.

The weather was showery and delayed the start until 2 o'clock. Wall soon got rid of Allen, but the batsmen continued cautiously, and at the close Queensland were 136 for four wickets, scored in three and a half hours.

CAPTAINCY OF INDIA
IT is understood that the Nawab of Patiala will not undertake the England tour captaincy. On medical advice he has declined to play in any match in India. It is also learned that C. K. and C. S. Nayudu are not likely to play in the Madras four-day match, in which Wazir Ali will probably act as Captain. The possibilities of C. K. Nayudu not joining the England tour are also strengthened. The present indications are that the Yuvraj of Patiala will captain with Wazir Ali as his deputy during the tour.

L.B.W. RULE ADOPTED
At the request of M.C.C., the council of the Club Cricket London recently decided to make

Conference at their meeting in strong recommendation to all affiliated clubs to try out the new experimental law next season.

The council also decided to adopt the new law in all their representative conference matches in 1936.

NOTTS C.C.C. LOSS
DESPITE the receipt of the sum of \$1,700 from the Test matches with South Africa last summer, the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club report shows an excess of expenditure over income of \$395 and the annual report adds, "a deficit in respect of next year's accounts must be anticipated."

The report refers to Larwood and Voce as the chief bowlers in the side, and mentions that of the 422 wickets taken during the season no fewer than 307 fell to those two bowlers.

Harold Larwood has been granted the Yorkshire match at Trent Bridge commencing on July 18 as a benefit, and the committee express the hope that the public will show their appreciation of the "greatest fast bowler of his generation."

Lilley's benefit last season realised \$1,138. Rain affected the gate, but the committee came to the rescue with a grant.

INJURY TO WENDELL BILL

AN X-ray examination has revealed that Wendell Bill has sustained a fracture of the jaw bone which has been properly set, but he is not expected to play before the third four day match at Madras, if even then. This means a further weakening of the Australians in view of the success-making 40, but after the interval he opened his shoulders. He hit a dozen boundaries before being caught in the slips.

When Wazir Ali came in three wickets were down for 35, and he started for the remainder of the innings. He played solidly for an hour and a half before lunch while making 40, but after the interval he opened his shoulders. He hit a dozen boundaries before being caught in the slips.

JACK RYDER ON LAHORE MATCH

JACK Ryder interviewed said that Wazir Ali's team fully deserved their victory. It had been a great game, full of interest from the very start and it had been a pleasure to have participated in it. The Australians were not disappointed because this victory would do a lot of good to Indian cricket, especially in view of the nearness of their team going to England, and it would give them more confidence in themselves.

The side was ably led by Wazir Ali and they all played as one man, which is a most essential thing in cricket.



Wazir Ali played finely in both innings and Nissar, Baga Khan, Jilani and Amir Elahi did their part in bowling. Naturally we shall now be looking forward with increased interest to our next meeting at Madras.

BUENDELL EXCELS
A MAZING cricket was seen on Wellington (N.Z.) when M.C.C. opened their tour.

E. R. T. Holmes won the toss and put Wellington in to bat. His action was justified, for mainly through some splendid bowling by the Middlesex slow bowler, Sims on a "pine-apple" wicket, who took 8 wickets for 58, Wellington were all out for 164.

The tourists fared no better, however, and could only gain a lead of two runs on the first innings.

GOLF NOTES

(By "NIBLICK")

THE semi-final stage of the Captain's Cup at the Kowloon Golf Club has been reached with the exception of one match. W. Taylor beat H. E. Longbottom 2 and 1, E. W. Black trounced E. G. Judd 5 and 3, while T. D. Paton had to go to the 20th hole before winning from J. D. Thomson.

Paton is making a habit of going beyond the usual 18, his previous round against Christenson concluded at the 19th.

R. K. Collings and A. A. Lopes will meet to-day to decide the fourth place and provide opposition to Paton.

HONG FOURSOMES

TWELVE Hong are represented in this foursome competition, rather less than last year's entry. The holders, Dodwell and Company, will be represented by the same pair, H. H. Mundy and A. J. Dennis.

Dodwell is also holder of the like title at Fanling, and seem to be creating a monopoly in this class of competition. The Godown Coy. winners in 1934, will not have W. E. Groves as representative, as he is on leave. I understand that C. W. Terry will partner A. L. Eastman. The Dairy Farm, with J. D. Thomson and T. D. Paton, and Marine Surveyors, represented by R. K. Collings and J. G. Charlton, should be thereabouts in the concluding stages.

OVERHEARD AT THE NINETEENTH

".....and if Fred Ray could hit the ball further he'd have a good drive if he could hit it straighter."

".....my new rule of the nineteenth, any bloke holding post mortems on the round may be lifted without penalty on the toe of the boot."

".....since Jug registered that eagle he has to use a shoe horn to get his hat on."

".....he's gone home, left about two gimlets, one beer and a liqueur ago."

".....I wouldn't worry Jelly, when a man's got a mind like yours he's lucky to lose it."

BIDWELL, BENSON OR RICE-EVANS?

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Back Row Changes

A. B. Evans' return to the game will probably see him secure his place as a wing forward in the Colony park. Morgan, of the Army, has been well to the fore throughout the season and he should be the "middle" of the back-row. Cpl. Harrison is a certainty for the other wing forward position.

Judging on recent form I would select the following to represent the Colony:—P. C. Frost (Club); F. Floyd (Army); H. D. Bidwell (Club); Lieut. Rice-Evans (Army) and H. E. McGilchrist (Club); A. H. R. Butcher (Club); Lieut. Hamilton (Army); Lt. Robinson (Navy); W. E. Peers (Club); Lieut. Lincoln (Army); A. F. Walkden (Club); Spr. Cullinan (Army); A. B. Evans (Navy); F. Morgan (Army) and L. Cpl. Harrison (Army).

Reserves:—Surg. Lt. Benson (Navy); I. Hutchinson (Club); Moe. Light (Navy) and E. P.

National League Meets, Adjourns Sans Trade, Sales!

New York, February 4.—Club owners of the National Baseball League held their annual meeting here to-day, and received the report of the 1935 schedule committee.

The owners then hurried to their homes without "buying" or trading a single player.

VITAL ENCOUNTER AT SOOKUNPOO VISITORS SORELY NEED FAST BOWLER

CIVIL SERVICE VISIT POKFULAM

(By L. B. W.)

A VERY important game in the first division of the cricket league will be played this afternoon at Sookunpoo when the Indian Recreation Club will be at home to the Hong Kong Cricket Club. The result will have a very important bearing on the ultimate destination of the shield.

The Indians must win if they are going to be the champion club of the season, but a draw will place them on the same terms with Kowloon, in which case a replay will be necessary.

Both teams will no doubt be at full strength and as a draw will serve no useful purpose to the Club I expect that they will put the Indians in to bat if they should win the toss.

The wicket at Sookunpoo is playing very well at the moment. In fact I would even go so far as to say that it is one of the best in the Colony to-day.

The Indians will depend again on Frank Pereira, A. B. Minn and A. H. Madar to get the wickets, with M. el Arculli and A. R. Abbas as the change bowlers. The last named can be very dangerous if he does not attempt to bowl too fast as he can turn them both ways, but Arculli is one of the many young bowlers who is all too ready to sacrifice length for pace.

As far as the batting is concerned, A. H. Madar, A. S. Sufiad, K. Nazarin, A. R. Kitchell, A. R. Abbas and Y. el Arculli will have to make the runs with Pereira and Minn, and possibly M. el Arculli, as the hitters. S. A. Ismail and M. P. Madar have both been known to play very stubborn cricket so that they ought to be useful in the eventuality of a collapse.

The Club
The Club will look to T. A. Pearce, H. Owen Hughes and possibly L. D. Kilbee for their runs, while F. Marshall ought to make some runs too.

Looking into the bowling strength of the Club, they have Pearce, Owen Hughes, and A. C. Crowder—a very useful trio and if only they had a fast bowler in the side I would tip them to win. As it is a draw is likely, though quiet confidence prevails in the Sookunpoo Club.

In the other first division game of the afternoon the University will be at home to the Civil Service Cricket Club who, after their brilliant win over the Army last week will start favourites.

The second division games between Civil Service and the University (at Happy Valley) and Kowloon and Police should result in the C.S.C. and Kowloon taking

the points, though the Police may upset calculations by either forcing a draw with Kowloon or even beating them. The Club juniors should beat the Recreio.

The Kowloon seniors are playing a friendly against the Army and should win.

Selected Teams

Below are some of the selected teams for to-day's matches:—

I.R.C.—F. D. Pereira, S. A. Ismail, A. H. Madar, A. R. Minn, A. S. Sufiad, M. P. Madar, A. R. Abbas, M. el Arculli, Y. el Arculli, K. Nazarin and A. R. Kitchell.

Army—Capt. L. J. Walsh, (R. A. S. C.), Capt. D. W. Perras (R. A.), Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite (R. A.), Lieut. J. R. Johnson (R. W. F.), Lieut. D. M. Pritchard (R. W. F.), Lieut. E. C. Thompson (Signals), Lieut. E. M. Dawson (East Lancs), CSM. Elvin (East Lancs), Pte. Herbert (East Lancs), Bdr. Whitehead (R. A. S. C.).

Twelfth man—Fusilier King, Recreio—A. M. Prata, W. A. Reed, H. A. Alves, C. N. Gosano, L. G. Gouno, F. H. Carvalho, L. J. Silva, E. M. L. Soares, Dr. J. W. Barnes, H. M. Xavier and A. F. Noronha.

K.C.C. 1st XI—A. W. Hayward (Capt.), H. W. Baines, C. E. R. Di-vett, G. S. Dunkley, A. C. Crowder, E. Owen Hughes, L. D. Kilbee, I. Midgley, F. Marshall, T. A. Pearce and T. E. Pearce.

K.C.C. 2nd XI—A. K. Mackenzie (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, V. C. Seed, I. S. Forbes, N. P. Fox, C. E. Gagan, J. E. Potter, J. Stein, J. B. Wry, L. Whips, and W. Wooding.

K.C.C. 1st XI—F. Goodwin, E. C. Fisher, E. F. Fisher, A. T. Lay, N. A. E. Mackay, F. S. W. Smith, R. Lee, W. C. Hung, F. Zimmerman, S. V. Gittins and Washington.

K.C.C. 2nd XI—H. Overy, G. Lee, A. A. Dand, W. L. Mackenzie, V. Durling, R. Lay, E. G. Craig, E. Baldwin, F. A. Broadbridge, F. E. Lawrence and Quinlan.

ARMY BOXING

Inter-Unit Bouts In April

The Hong Kong Area Sports Board are holding their annual boxing tournament in April when some very good fights should be seen.

The preliminaries will be held early in the month of April, and the finals of the Inter-Unit (team) contests will be held at Murray Barracks on April 9, while the finals of the individual contest will take place on Friday, April 17, also at Murray Barracks.

The following is the programme:

April 3 (Friday)
Royal Welch Fusiliers v East Lancashire Regt.

Novices teams. At Shamshuiyoo 8 p.m.

April 4 (Saturday)
Royal Welch Fusiliers v Royal Ulster Rifles.

Semi-final of inter-unit teams, At Murray Barracks 8 p.m.

April 8 (Wednesday)
Royal Ulster Rifles v Winners of (a).

Novices teams final. At Murray Barracks 8 p.m.

April 9 (Thursday)
East Lancashire Regiment v Winners of (b).

Final of inter-unit teams, At Murray Barracks at 8 p.m.

April 16 (Thursday)
Semi-finals of individual contests, At Murray Barracks 8 p.m.

April 17 (Friday)
Finals of individual contests, At Murray Barracks 8 p.m.

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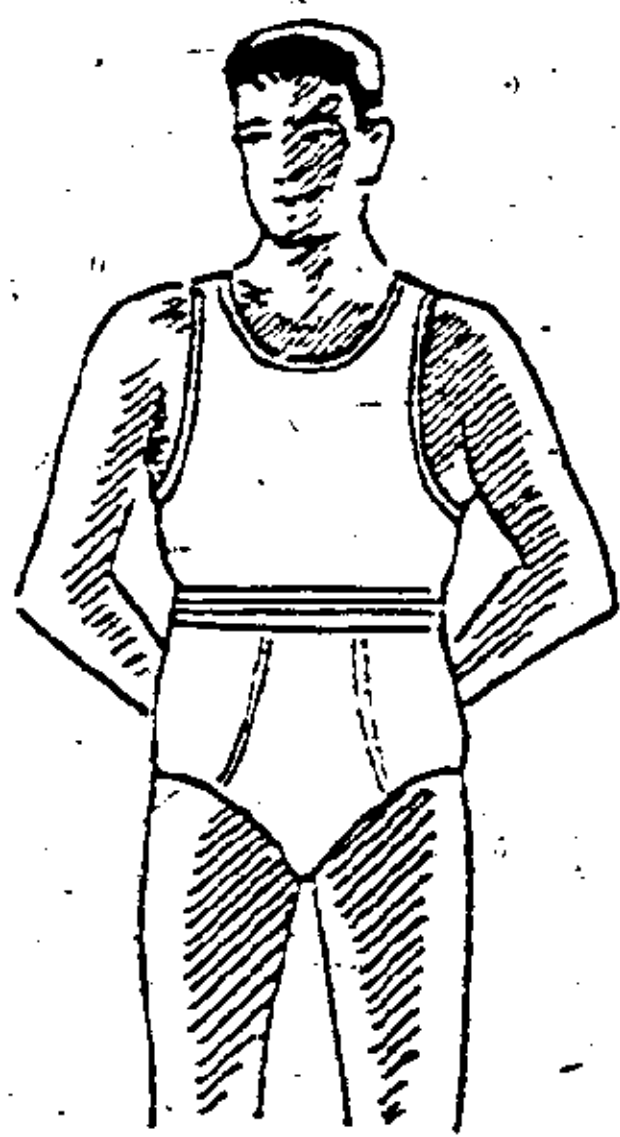
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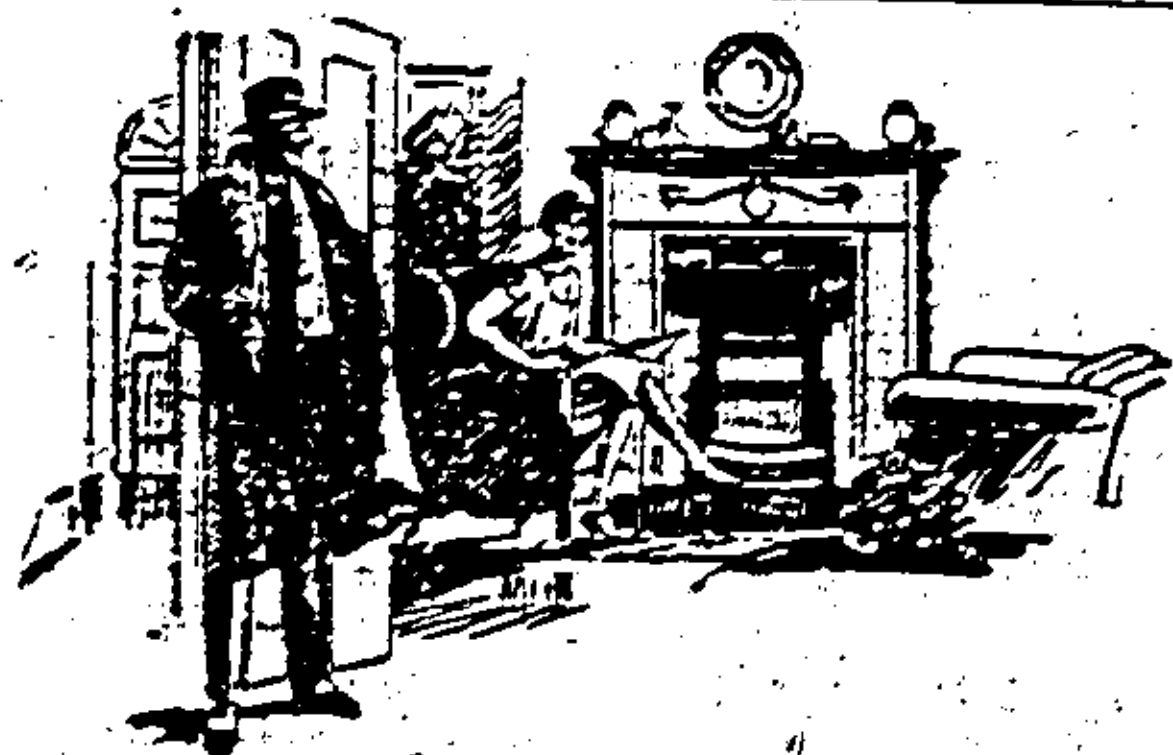
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Italy And Oil

There is nothing in the report submitted to the League by its Committee on the Oil Embargo that leads us to change in any respect the opinion that we have already expressed on that subject. It can be very easily and clearly stated. The object of restricting trade was to end the war as soon as possible. Trade restrictions were an experiment to see whether it was possible to do this without resorting to war on a larger scale. This could only be tested by means of a complete boycott. There was accordingly no reason at all for making arbitrary exceptions in favour of those commodities that Italy specially wanted to import. Ineffective sanctions were bound to create just as much illwill as a complete boycott. Their only effect could be to raise the price of sundry imports to Italy, thereby giving a profiteering advantage to those who sold, increasing the financial strain on Italy and the consequent exhaustion at the end of the war, and withal the exceptions could only have the result of prolonging the war. How could the Duce by going to war compel anybody to supply him with oil or anything else?

The Committee is only telling us what we knew before in stating that there would be no shortage if the U.S.A. instead of sending the former percentage of 6 per cent. should sell all they were asked for. The decision for or against doing so depended and depends entirely on public opinion, and all the probabilities were that when Congress met in January all excess over the usual average would have been forbidden. The shilly-shallying over the oil embargo killed the enthusiasm of those who were in favour of assisting the League, and the subsequent stupid mistake of pressing the "Peace Plan" for acceptance did far more—it created a very strong suspicion that the whole thing was only another of those clever but selfish tricks with which American politicians are always ready to credit Europe, and England in particular. If the whole of the "Neutrality" law is hung up, or even abandoned, the fault will lie in the muddled management on the East side of the Atlantic, and not on the West.

Nonetheless the report of the experts is interesting as a proof of the almost complete dependence of the modern world on fuel oil. Even in Italy the ultimate outcome would appear to be that the use of oil will be increased. The only alternative for the use of industry was English coal, of which the import amounted to 1,500,000 tons—a very welcome item in the depressed coal-mining business of the last few years. This has of course been stopped by Order in Council, and the previous history of trade stoppages is witness that when one channel of trade is completely dammed up, it is never possible to get the current to flow that way again. The longer the stoppage the greater will be the use of substitutes, and the stronger will be the tendency to refuse to buy English supplies. The oil consumption of Italy has been growing at the rate of 13 per cent. per annum, and in time of war that percentage would probably be doubled. There is not usually any great reserve stored—only enough

Here There and Everywhere

THE "SNARK" IN LATIN

Translating highly, if not grotesquely, idiomatic English into Latin is an exercise out of which the writer gets as much fun as the reader, and Lewis Carroll's "The Hunting of the Snark" is an ideal subject. Mr. H. D. Watson has done a version, just published, in elegiacs.

Some of Carroll has defeated even Mr. Watson. "Fry-me" and "Fritter-my-wik" he has found too baffling, but "What-you-may-call-un" and "Thingumbob" are adroitly turned by Quisquidus and Nesicio-quid.

"Oh, beamish nephew," becomes *Puer o splendor*. Especially neat is the classical version of "Banderastel" — *Herpizet*. For Dutch there is the ingenious if pedantically inaccurate rendering *lingua Belgorum*.

Rightly, I think, there is no attempt to translate the theme words Snark and Boojum. They remain merely *Snark* and *boius*.

THE VISION OF THE B.B.C.'s standard of pronunciation being accepted in all English-speaking countries fills Professor Ernest Weekley with dismay.

"This is an awful thought," he writes in his book, "Something About Words," just published. He makes a dismal prophecy that "the natural and historically justified pronunciation of English may linger for a time among the aristocracy and the peasantry but is already making way for an artificial machine-made product.... It is even possible that the 'boat-swain' of the 21st century will refer to the anterior part of a ship as the 'fore-castle'."

Americans who read Professor Weekley's book will find that their pronunciation of duke and duty as "dook" and "dooty" are historically correct, and though condemned as "bordering on vulgarity" by a lexicographer in 1791, were still in aristocratic use in England in 1850.

COLLAPSED AT WIFE'S GRAVE
Frederick Last, aged 64, a dockyard pensioner, collapsed last month in a Portsmouth cemetery when visiting his wife's grave, and died on the way to hospital.

for six or eight weeks, but by the end of last year special importations had doubled the quantity, bringing it up to perhaps 800,000 tons. A complete embargo would therefore compel a stoppage of the war even now within three months. It is obvious that it is the duty of the League to prove its good faith by imposing the restriction and leaving the States no doubt that their action would have the result of shortening the war.

The kindred subject of shipping transport for the oil is subject to the same considerations. The building and employment of "tankers" has been a somewhat recent but very profitable branch of the shipping industry in England—as witness the career of Lord Bearsted, who was the pioneer, and became the richest man in the country, certainly the richest shipowner. If Italy were to employ every possible ship that she could press into the service, she would only be able to handle half of the amount required. Undoubtedly this would be a great auxiliary weapon, which had not been adequately discussed. In any case it would end the absurdity of vessels laden with oil sailing past the fleet of a country that nominally is trying to prevent the East African army getting properly provisioned.

THE SHAMSHUPO MURDER

Funeral Service Of
Victim

REMAINS TO BE TAKEN TO
NATIVE VILLAGE

The funeral service took place yesterday morning of the late Mr. Ng Ho, the well-known local Chinese contractor, who was brutally murdered at Shamshupo last Saturday night. Deceased, who was aged 38, received three bullet wounds from armed robbers who raided his house at No. 65 Fuk Wah Street, and he died subsequently at the Kowloon Hospital. Among the chief mourners present at yesterday's funeral were the widow, three sons and a daughter.

A large number of persons from Sham Mun were present including Messrs. Sanderson of the Shing Mun work, Yu Shi-chow, Lee Chi-chung, Leung Fat-chow, Ng Yik-so and many others.

About 400 friends and relatives followed the cortege from the late Mr. Ng's residence in Fuk Wah Street to the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station.

The remains will be sent to Canton this morning and interment will take place next week in the Chinese district of the deceased.

CAR CRASHES INTO KITCHEN

A Liverpool family had to abandon their home when a car crashed into it and became embedded in the kitchen. The driver was injured.

FIRST WEDDING FOR 60 YEARS

A wedding which took place recently in the tiny 13th century church at Mount, on the coast near Cardigan, was the first there since 1875.

Your Daily Smile!

SO ARE GRAVES
"Man who never saw a motor-car," runs a news-item. Hospitals of course are full of these.

RELIEF INDEED
An astronomer says the world will last nineteen million years, and not eighteen, as he previously estimated. Well, that's a relief.

INFINITIVES EASY
"It is a fact that in the near future British scientists hope to successfully split the atom," says a writer. The infinitive of course has already been shattered beyond repair.

DEFENCES AGAINST ATTACK

WRONG ARMING WORSE THAN DISARMING

MODERN WARFARE CALLS FOR SWEEPING CHANGES

(By Br.-Gen. P. R. C. Groves)

THE folly of giving a lead in disarmament has at length been recognised by the Government, which, at the recent general election, asked for and received a definite mandate to repair the serious deficiencies in our defences.

But there is now a grave risk that while attempting to escape from the Scylla of one-sided disarmament we shall be caught by the Charybdis of wrong rearmament. For whereas the conditions of modern warfare call for sweeping changes in our whole defensive system, the military mind—the nation's accepted adviser in matters of defence—is opposed to any such step.

Foch's Dictum

At this juncture we may well recall Marshal Foch's famous dictum: "The military mind always imagines that the next war will be fought on the same lines as the last. That has never yet been the case and never will be."

Our own history, in common with that of Continental States, bears out these truths. The British Army which took the field in South Africa in 1899 still bore the stamp of the Crimea. And although the South African War taught us many valuable lessons, the Army of 1914 had in several important respects made no progress towards modernisation. For example, the number of machine-guns per division in 1914 was still what it was in 1899—namely, 24.

By 1918 this number had increased to 500, but meanwhile tens of thousands of lives had been sacrificed to the conservatism which for 15 years had discounted this deadly weapon, although its efficiency had been repeatedly demonstrated in foreign wars during that period.

Great War Examples

In the Great War itself there was no military innovation but was frowned upon. The classic example was that of the

tank. According to the Germans themselves this weapon was eventually a decisive factor in the Allies' victory on the Western Front. Yet its introduction was greatly delayed by the opposition of our High Command. The following statement published by Major-General J. F. C. Fuller, who was Chief Staff Officer to the Royal Tank Corps, indicates what that prejudice and conservatism cost this country:—

"From July to November 1917, tanks were not efficiently used, and our casualties per square mile captured averaged 8.222."

"From July to November 1918, tanks were efficiently used, and our casualties per square mile captured averaged 86."

The term "military mind," in the sense used here, comprises the naval mind.

Stubborn Navy

Lord Fisher wrote in his book "Records": "It is an historical fact that the British Navy stubbornly resists change." He gave as examples the opposition to the introduction of steam, iron ships, breechloading guns, the turbine, the torpedo, wireless, and aircraft. Even the submarine, a weapon which brought us to the very brink of disaster, was discounted—witness the facts that no submarine-proof base had been provided in the north, and soon after the outbreak of war the Grand Fleet was obliged to take refuge in Lough Swilly, on the north coast of Ireland, while the defences of Scapa Flow were being hurriedly marshalled.

In view of these examples of what is really an inherent failing it is surprising that the naval and military hierarchies have, since the war, systematically discounted and opposed the development of the Royal Air Force, which connotes not only a new weapon but one which has persistently encroached upon their time-honoured preserves?

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



FED THRU HIS
CAGE BY THE DEVOT
WHO PURCHASE A
HANDFUL OF GRAIN
AT A TIME

SIGNATURE
OF
BRIGGS
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THE
SACRED HORSE
OF MABA, Japan
PURE WHITE WITH LONG HAIR—ONE PINK EYE
AND ONE BLUE EYE—IS KEPT READY AND
WAITING FOR THE RETURN OF A DEPARTED SHOGUN

GEORGE LEHMAN
STUCK THE FLAG STICK WITH HIS
DRIVE. THE BALL STUCK IN THE MIDDLE
OF THE SPLINTERED WOOD. Centenary Club, Cleveland

Sketches in Japan

FLYING PROGRESS SEEN IN FASCINATING SHOW



Captain Orville Anderson (left) and Captain Randolph Williams (right) made a stratosphere flight in an army balloon at East St. Louis, Illinois, to test the instruments which will be used in the gondola on their next stratosphere flight.

SMOKING IN AIR LINER

Report Made To Ministry

PASSENGER'S ACTION DENOUNCED

A report has been presented to the Air Ministry concerning an incident which is alleged to have occurred in an Imperial Airways liner recently. The report was made by Capt. Rogers, who had charge of the machine.

It concerns the conduct of a passenger who is said to have lighted a cigarette as the machine was landing. A steward, it is stated, called his attention to the fact that smoking is prohibited on Imperial Airways machines. Capt. Rogers was called, and after some discussion the passenger extinguished his cigarette.

Pilot's Privilege

The matter has been submitted for the consideration of legal authorities, who will decide if any action shall be taken.

Air pilots at Croydon unanimously hold the view that the commander of an aircraft is entitled to take whatever steps he may deem necessary to ensure the safety of his craft and of those on board.

It was later stated that action was to be taken against the passenger in the Courts.

ITALY'S AIR FORCE REBUILT

Aircraft Of Modern Design

Rome. Italy has refashioned her principal weapon—her air force. Since last April Italian aviation factories have turned out approximately 900 aeroplanes.

According to foreign observers in Rome almost all the old and obsolete machines which Italy possessed last spring have been replaced by aircraft of modern design.

New Fleet Coming

To-day the factories are concentrating principally on the building of pursuit and fast bombing aeroplanes, but from now on they will also build a new fleet of observation machines.

Foreign expert opinion estimates that the new Italian air force is the equal of any in Europe.

The threat of oil sanctions has caused difficulty in the training of Italian airmen. Preserving petrol-miles at close to 200 miles an hour, because of the East African war, Italy has been able to spare only a little for student pilots.

AIR TRAVEL FEATURES ADVANTAGES OUTLINED

Sense Of Safety And Freedom

ELDERLY TRAVELLER'S IMPRESSIONS

A lady aged 72, who recently flew from Croydon to Marseilles met the s.s. Rawalpindi on arrival at Marseilles. She said: "This ship, the Rawalpindi, had come from Yokohama, with many passengers returning from the East on leave. They had a bad time in the monsoons between Bombay and Aden, but some people on board, who are stationed at Karachi, flew to Cairo and joined the ship at Port Said, thus avoiding the monsoons altogether."

"They were 22 hours in the air with several descents, enjoyed it greatly and were not at all fatigued. They and others tell me what a boon air-liners are to travellers in the East."

"In my own flight there was an exhilarating sense of safety and freedom. Other advantages are the quiet embarking, the comfortable passing of the Customs at destinations without the howling mass of humanity experienced when travelling by sea, and the covering of long distances without fatigue."

Denizens Of The Deep

Flying over the sea is not so devoid of interest as one is led to imagine, as the following incident shows. The Qantas Empire Airways' air liner "Brisbane" on a recent flight between Singapore and Darwin flew very low over the water when approaching

ATLANTIC FLIGHT PROBLEMS

Paris.—The French Air Ministry announces that a delegation of representatives of the French Line and Air France is being sent to the United States to study problems arising out of the proposed trans-Atlantic air service.

Darwin. The travellers were greatly interested in aerial views of marine life.

Pilot Allan says sea snakes have been particularly numerous lately. Whales and sharks are seen very occasionally in the Timor Sea. Turtles and diamond fish dive rapidly when the shadow of the aircraft comes over them, but the whales and sharks are quite unperturbed.

A Speed Record

Aerial transport is becoming more and more indispensable. Here is an example of rapid despatch. The Singapore branch of the General Electric Company recently received an urgent order for 300 special lamps for Raffles Hotel entrance illumination. The order was cable to London, and the lamps were shipped next day by Imperial Airways, little more than a week having elapsed before the lamps were in place at the entrance to the Hotel.

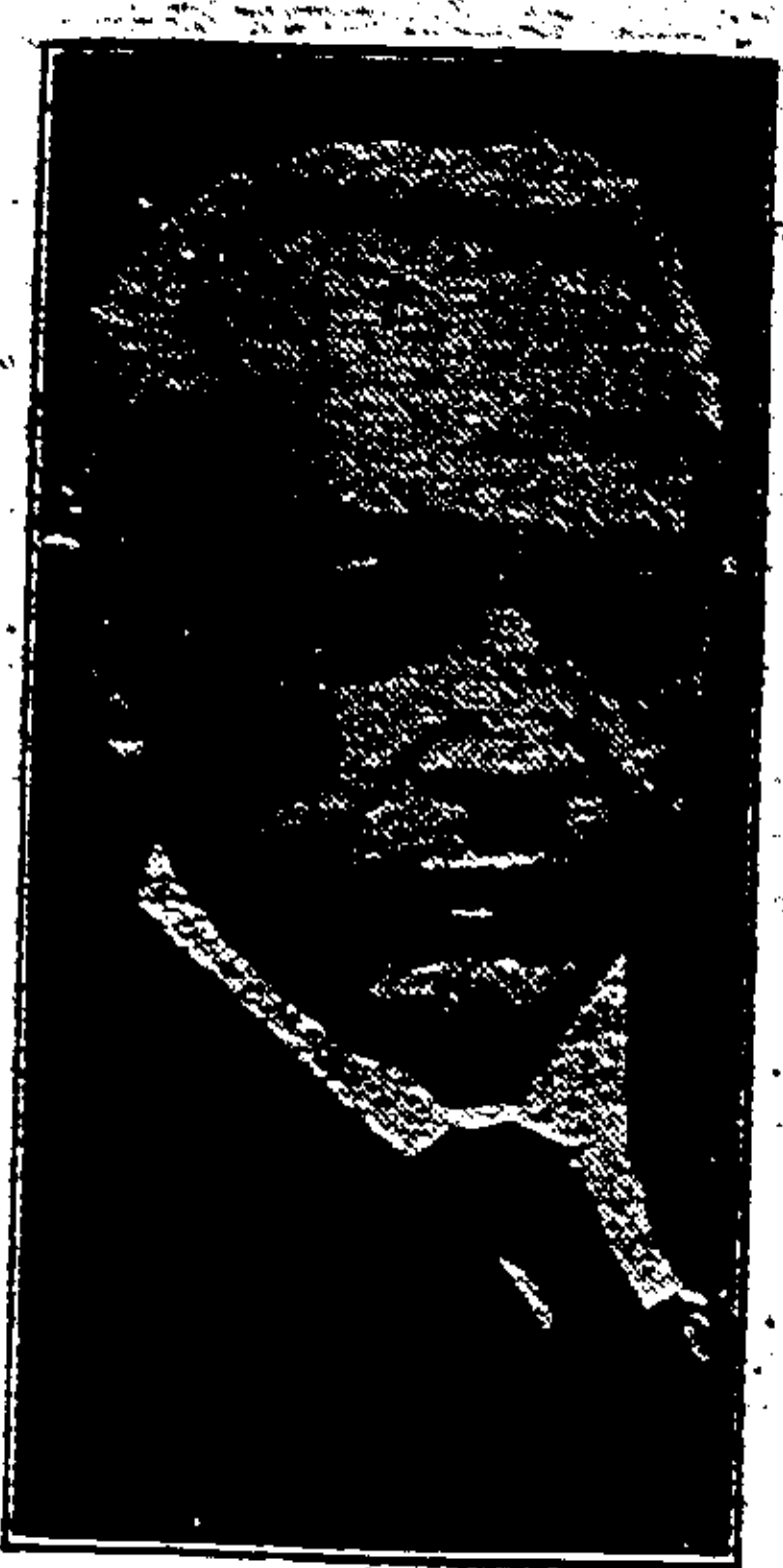
Amongst other unusual classifications of goods recently passing on the London-Australia Empire route are parrots, canaries, chickens, dogs, rats, goats, orchids, gas-mantles, radium, lizards—in fact an unending variety of strange and interesting consignments.

MAILBAG FALLS FROM AEROPLANE

A mailbag fell from an Amsterdam-bound air-liner shortly after it left Croydon aerodrome recently, and was immediately recovered and returned by the police to the air transport company.

NEW FLYING BOATS

London. A fleet of new flying boats, each with a range in still air of 1,500 miles at close to 200 miles an hour, has been ordered by Imperial Airways for use on main routes throughout the British empire.



A recent portrait of Professor Hugo Junker, the famous aeroplane designer.

SOUTHERN AIR ROUTE

Waikiki To New Zealand

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR SERVICE

Tourists to Waikiki who feel an urge to take a side trip to Maori-land may be able in another year to step aboard a seaplane and follow a well-defined air route to land in Auckland, N. Z., 40 hours later.

An air line through the South Pacific, over those thousands of miles paddled by Polynesians in their canoes centuries ago, is expected to be started next August, according to reports from Wellington. Already Pan American Airways has completed arrangements with New Zealand officials for service between those islands and the United States.

All three possible routes begin in Honolulu, branch to strategic islands and converge at Pago Pago on Tutuila Island, American Samoa. From there it is an unbroken hop to Auckland.

BETTER SAFETY PROVISIONS

Trap Door Tests In New Air Liner

Paris. An innovation in the design of big airliners to enable passengers to escape quickly in an emergency is reported here.

The experiment of having trap-doors in the cabin is being tried out in the new F-224 Farman model, now under construction, according to the aeronautical magazine, *Les Ailes*.

This machine will carry 40 passengers and there will be 10 trap-doors.

All the seats will have parachutes fitted in the back and it is claimed that everyone will be able to jump out with the minimum delay in case of urgent need.

Master Pilots Go To Air University

Air Service Training, the "Air University" at Hamble, have now concluded a contract with Imperial Airways to train the company's leading pilots in the handling of flying boats at Southampton Water.

The first of the senior pilots to take the course were Capt. A. S. Wilcockson and Capt. J. Tuill—both master pilots with more than 10,000 hours flying on their log-books.

The Air University, also has a contract with the Air Ministry for the training of many pilots for the reserve under the expansion scheme, and it has extended its activities to the Midlands to cope with this extra work. A new aerodrome of 140 acres has been built at Anstey, near Coventry, for the purpose. It will be opened this month.

The contract with Imperial Airways provides for nearly 200 pilots to be trained in flying boats.

SCIENCE MUSEUM EXHIBITION

WONDERFUL VISTA OF FUTURE TRENDS

WORKING MODELS OF EARLY PLANES

A WONDERFUL vista of aerial progress was afforded by the Exhibition entitled "The Empire's Airway" which was organised by Imperial Airways, and was held in the Science Museum, South Kensington, London, from December 6, 1935, to January 31 last.

The Exhibition, which was declared open by the Rt. Hon. Lord Swinton, Secretary of State for Air, illustrated every phase in the organisation and operation of Empire flying routes, and also provided fascinating glimpses into the future of long-distance transport by air.

In his speech at the opening ceremony—which was attended by a distinguished gathering—Lord Swinton said that great plans had been laid for the future, and that the Empire air services were to be greatly extended in frequency and speed.

"Before very long, he said, last mentioned apparatus a long-range seaplane is carried up into the air on the wing of a big flying-boat, being launched in mid-air when a suitable operating height has been attained."

Maps and panoramas of the main Empire routes showed how it has now become possible to dispatch a letter by air to some distant point, and obtain a reply, in the time which would be taken to send such a letter in one direction only by surface transport. Air-mail progress is epitomised by the fact that during the quarter ending September 30, 1935, the weight of letter-mail outward-bound from Great Britain was 75 per cent. heavier than in the corresponding quarter of 1934.

Safety And Service

Going on to speak of Imperial Airways, Lord Swinton said the Company had the greatest share of the traffic on the routes it operated, and this was because its aim was safety and service.

"I have never ceased to be grateful," he went on "for the courtesy, kindness, and understanding which officers of the Company gave to my wife when she was flying out to Africa, where I was seriously ill."

Working Models

A striking feature of the Exhibition was the display of working models which showed, among other things, how air-liners are guided to the London air-port by wireless, and how those in the control tower at Croydon regulate traffic in and out of the air-port during conditions of bad visibility.

Accurate scale models showed the development of the passenger air-liner from the first machines used by Imperial Airways in 1924 to modern giants of the "Hannibal" and "Hercules" types; while models were also to be seen of the still larger and faster aircraft in construction for the Empire routes, and of the "composite" aircraft which is being developed for Atlantic air transport. In this

AEROPLANE AND BALLOON

Novelty Design Considered

TWO SEPARATE UNITS SUGGESTED

Washington: The Army Air Corps is studying a new type of aircraft combining both lighter and heavier-than-air features.

A Bill pending before the House for an appropriation of \$150,000 for experimental construction of the proposed combined balloon and aeroplane may have definite War Department backing before the session ends.

The craft was designed by George W. Hardin, of Greenville, Tenn., an aeronautical engineer.

Brigadier General Oscar Westover, Chief of the Air Corps, has asked his engineers to study the plans to determine if the craft might be feasible for army use.

Hardin's craft would be both dirigible—lighter than air—and aeroplane—heavier than air. The two units could be detached in mid-air in case of accident to either, or could be detached on the ground and used separately.

Bigger Loads

The purpose of the craft would be primarily to produce an aerial "freight train" capable of carrying bigger loads than an aeroplane and at greater speed than small dirigibles.

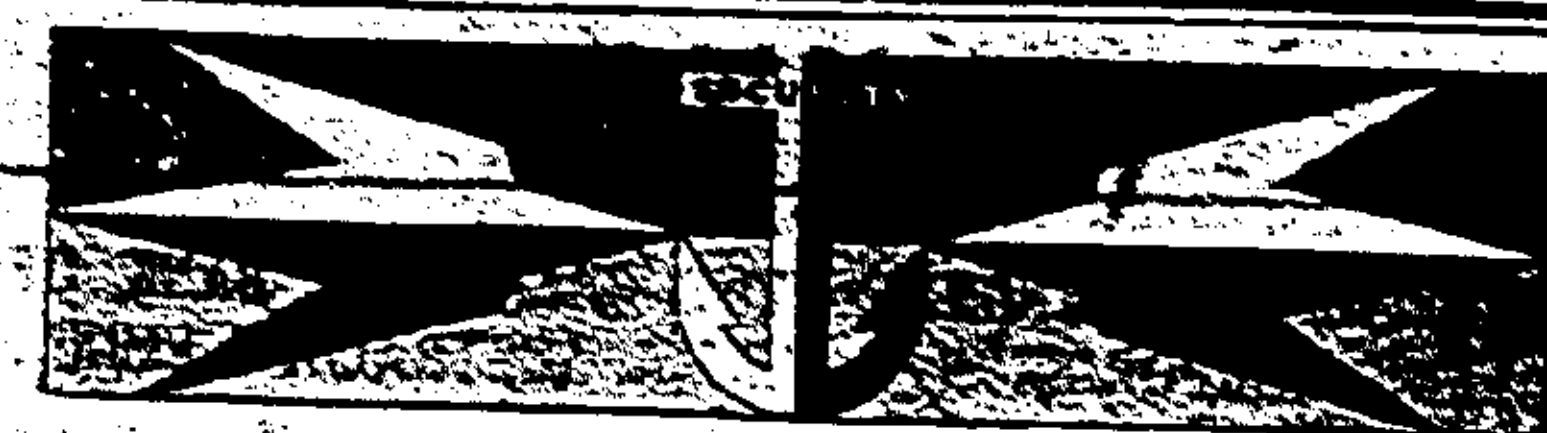
It also would be used, under Hardin's proposal, to supplant stationary observation balloons.

A further development which army officials are studying is the possibility of using such a craft for a commercial passenger service, with the lighter-than-air section as a safety feature in case of an accident to the heavier-than-air section.

Under Hardin's specifications pilots and passengers could change quickly from one section to the other.

FILM DIRECTOR'S AIR RECORD CLAIM

What is claimed to be a new trans-continental air record has been accomplished by Mr. Howard Hughes, the film director, who landed at Newark aerodrome after completing a non-stop flight from Los Angeles in 3 hours 27 minutes and 10 seconds.



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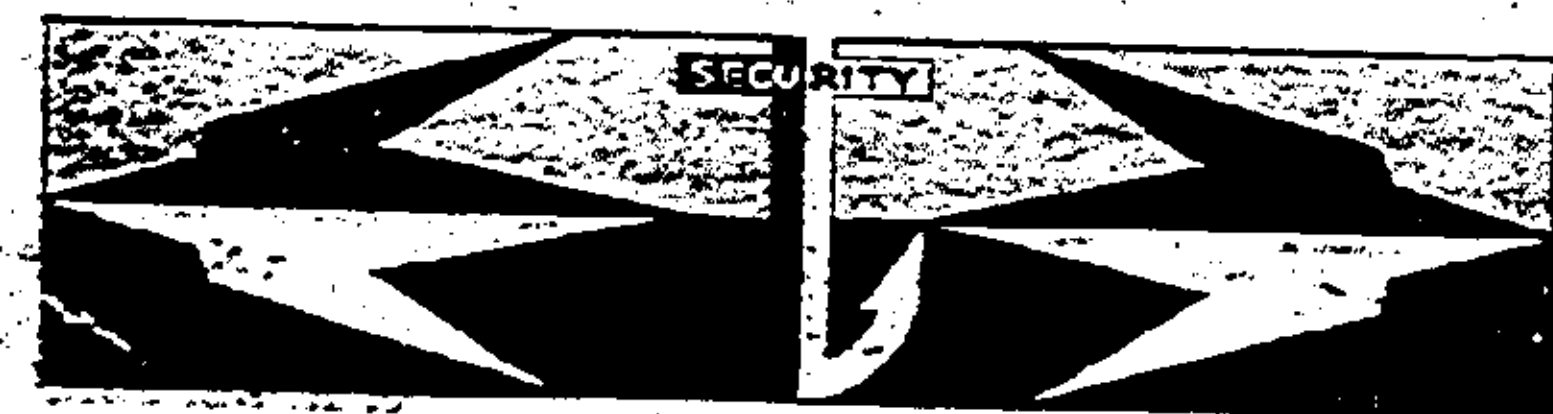
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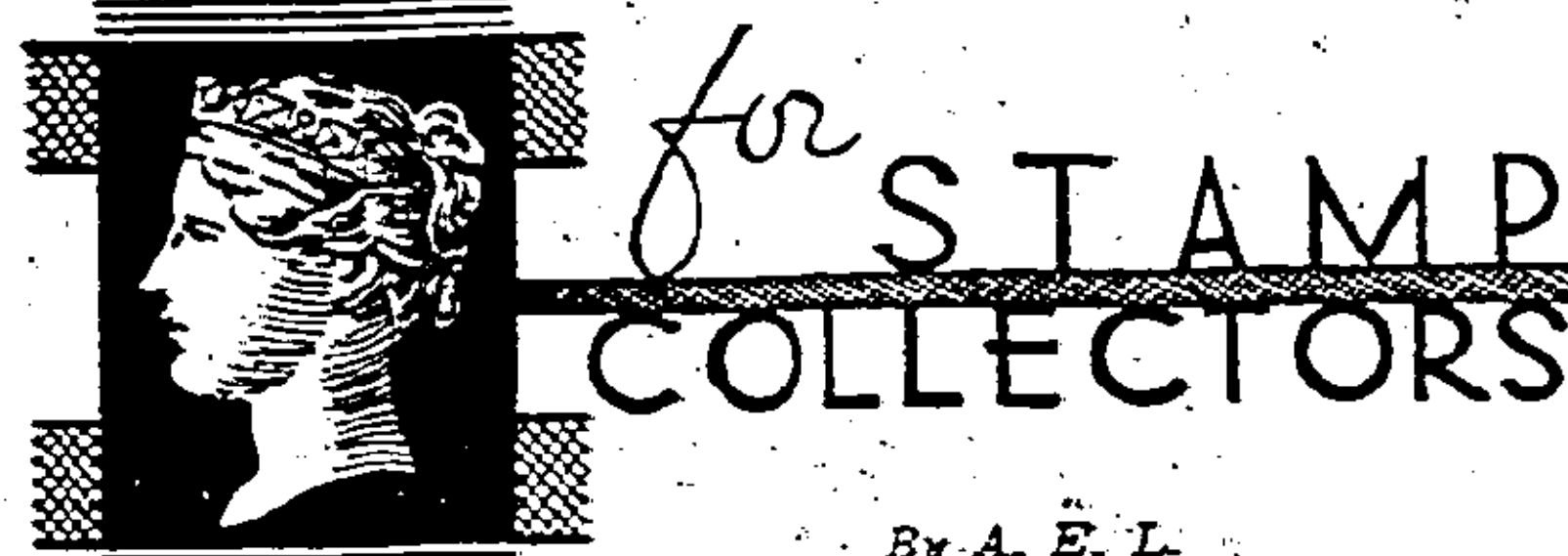
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Walter Abel as D'Artagnan, Heather Angel as Constance, and Ralph Forbes as the Duke of Buckingham, in a scene from R.K.O. Radio's "Three Musketeers," which is coming to the King's Theatre next Wednesday.



By A. E. L.

for STAMP COLLECTORS

THE Victorian watermarked 4d. Small Garter on the bluish safety paper, was issued on July 31, 1935. Two plates (1 and 2), differentiated only by the numbers at the corners of the sheets, were used, but only forty-five sheets are believed to have been printed from Plate 2, on this paper.

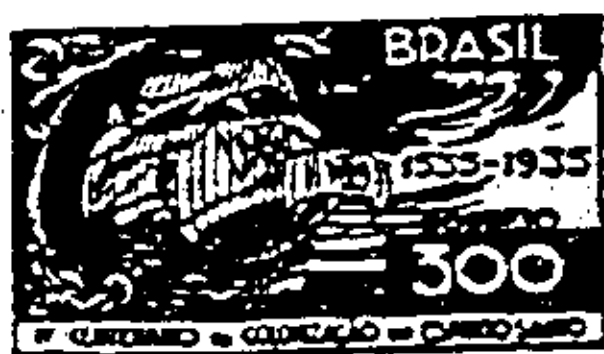
The plate was arranged in four panes of 60, each 6 x 10, with the plate number in white on a coloured circle at each corner of the sheet. Above each pane were the words "Postage four pence" and at the outer side of each pane, reading upwards at the left of the sheet and downwards at the right, the inscription "price—4d. per Label, 2s. per Row of Six, 51 per Sheet of Sixty." At a later stage, a cross was added in the upper margin and one in the lower, to serve as a guide for perforating (State II).

One pane of 60 stamps constituted a Post Office sheet, value 41.

If we accept the point of view of the Kohl Handbuch, the white paper variety, S.G. 65a, must be regarded as a variety of the stamp on blue paper.

There were twenty stamps (ten from the right-hand vertical row of each of the left-hand panes) with wing-margin at right, and twenty (from the right-hand panes) with wing-margin at left, but as the stamps have no corner letters, stamps with wing-margin removed and perforations faked can only be detected by the expert.

The colour of stamps on the Small Garter paper ranges from rose (which heavily blued paper tends to make one regard as car-



mine) to carmine and almost crimson in some specimens.

Governor Honoured

THE tercentenary of the French West Indies annexations has been celebrated by the issuance of sets of stamps for the three French colonies of Guadeloupe, French Guiana and Martinique. One of the most interesting of these stamps is that of the higher values of the Martinique set which commemorate former Governor Schoelcher and the abolition of slavery in that island.

Slavery in Martinique became rampant in the early eighteenth century and in 1736 nearly 72,000 blacks were in slavery there. In 1843 Governor Schoelcher, then in charge of the Administration, succeeded in putting a stop to slavery and freeing the serfs. So now, some 87 years later, the Governor is honoured on special postage stamps.

Soviet Govt. Interest
THE Soviet Government has decided that the study and collection of postage stamps have an important educational value, and has therefore organized the Soviet Philatelic Association under the Commissariat of Education. This Association is given a monopoly in the sale of stamps for collection in the Soviet Union and abroad, and its profits are turned over to the Society for Homeless Children.

Stamp collecting is regarded as something more than a hobby. The study of stamps is considered one of the best means for imparting the facts of geography and history not only to children but to adults. The Soviet Philatelic Association therefore especially encourages the formation of stamp collections in schools and factory clubs, and urges individual pupils and factory workers to contribute



to such collections rather than to make separate personal collections.

Time Payments
Many schools and clubs have acquired extensive collections, and the Philatelic Association helps organisations which wish to begin or extend collections by permitting them to pay for purchases over a period of years.

With no particular encouragement, thousands of individual stamp collectors are active in the Soviet Union, chiefly among school children and industrial workers. Interest has become so great that the Philatelic Association recently organised a national society through which individuals may obtain information about stamps and how to care for them.

Quetzal On Stamp
GUATEMALA pictures its national bird, the quetzal, on many of its stamps and has just recently issued two new stamps showing this beautiful creature. The Guatemalans consider the bird an emblem of freedom, for the quetzal loves its freedom and does not live long in captivity. The bird is noted for its gorgeous plumage. The train of the male's feathers gains a length of three feet. The breast and underparts of his plumage are crimson and the rest of his plumage a brilliant golden green. The early Indians considered the quetzal an emblem of royalty and the privilege of wearing the plumes was granted only to the chiefs and rulers.

MASS MARRIAGE TO-DAY

11 Couples Will Participate

CEREMONY AT CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

Eleven couples have successfully passed the test for participation in Hong Kong's first Mass Marriage, organised under the auspices of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association, which takes place to-day at 4 p.m. at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street.

Originally there were 16 couples, but, owing to various reasons, five were ruled as unfit for marriage by the Mass Marriage Judging Committee. The only expense which each couple incurred was a sum of \$12, which the Mass Marriage Controlling Committee utilised for marriage certificates, decorations, photographs and printing expenses. The Hon. Mr. Shou-son Chow will officiate at the ceremony.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

SUBJECT: SOUL

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG

The subject of the lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, February 16, will be: "Soul."

The Golden Text will be: "Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. Shew me thy ways, O Lord: teach me thy paths." (Psalm 25.)

Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, saying: Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art: the Holy One of God."

"And Jesus rebuked him, saying: Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not. And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying: What a word is this: for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they came out. And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about." (Acts, 9:32).

Divine Mind

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:

"Knowing that Soul and its attributes were forever manifested through man, The Master healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, feet to the lame, thus bringing to light the scientific action of the divine Mind on human minds and bodies and giving a better understanding of Soul and salvation. Jesus healed sickness and sin by one and the same metaphysical process."

"Jesus instructed his disciples whereby to heal the sick through Mind instead of matter. He knew that the philosophy, Science, and proof of Christianity were in Truth, casting out all in harmony. In Latin the word rendered discipline signifies student; and the word indicates that the power of healing was not a supernatural gift to those learners, but the result of their cultivated spiritual understanding of the divine Science, which their Master demonstrated by healing the sick and sinning." (Pages 210 and 271).

TRAFFIC CASES IN THE COURTS

Two Europeans Fined

A fine of \$3 was imposed upon Major Dowling, of the Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipui, when he admitted a summons before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for causing an obstruction in Peking Road at the exit of the Star Theatre by leaving his private car No. 12 there on January 29 from 9.35 p.m. to 11.10 p.m. R. A. Jernard, of No. 8a Des Voeux Road, appeared to answer a similar summons and was also fined \$3. Sergeant Dewar was the complainant.

Government Appointments

The following appointments, etc., are notified in the Government Gazette:—
Mr. Thomas Henry King to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council, with effect from October 23, 1934;
Mr. Li Jow-son and Dr. Li Shou-fan to be members of the Council of the University of Hong Kong for a period of three years, with effect from December 26, 1935, and January 4, 1936, respectively;
Mr. Lancelot Ruggie Andrews to act as Registrar, Supreme Court, Registrar of Companies, Official Administrator and Official Trustee during the absence of Mr. Ernest Philip Henry Lang, with effect from February 4;
Mr. Quentin Allison Ashby

To-day's Short Story

First Things First

By A. P. Garland

WHEN Shula, the gipsy girl, walked down the streets of Blagoy, all in her red velvet dress, with gold bangles on her bare brown arms and a gold necklace on her bare brown neck, and with that roll of the hips that every gipsy girl learns before she is twelve, the women of the town, particularly if they were married, would gaze at her angrily and say, "She ought to be whipped. She has stolen Gavro Yovan, who was betrothed to Sara Naditch, and look! she is wearing the jewels that Sara used to wear. She is shameless."

That just described Shula. She had no shame. She did not know what it meant. Almost by one upward lift of her wicked, sly, black eyes she had brought Gavro grovelling at her feet, so that he had thrown over his boyhood sweetheart for the olive-skinned vagrant. And now, as Gavro's wife, Shula reigned in a comfortable cottage on the hillside overlooking Blagoy.

BADMINTON

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W. C. Choy and Miss R. Perry (C.R.C.)
beat Wainfield and Lloyd-Jones 21-6
beat Harris and Brown 21-6
S. W. Liang and Mrs. Liang (C.R.C.)
beat Wainfield and Lloyd-Jones 21-10
beat Wainfield and Lloyd-Jones 21-8
beat Harris and Brown 21-11

Recreio "B's" Lapse

At the St. John's Cathedral Hall last night, the St. John's Club beat the Recreio "B" by 7 sets to 2—
F. H. Kwok and Miss M. Smith (St. John's)
beat A. E. Xavier and Mrs. Sousa 21-8
beat B. Gosano and Miss A. Remedios 21-7
beat J. Xavier and Miss M. Xavier 21-11
Roland Koh and Mrs. A. L. Barlow (St. John's)
beat Xavier and Sousa 21-5
beat Gosano and Remedios 21-10
lost to Kwok and Xavier 22-24
David Kwok and Miss P. MacCaw (St. John's)
lost to Xavier and Sousa 18-21
lost to Gosano and Remedios 24-22
beat Xavier and Xavier 21-5

Fire Brigade Again Lose

At King's Park last night, the Club de Recreio "A" team defeated the Fire Brigade Recreation Club by 7 sets to 2—
L. A. Carvalho and Miss O. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")
lost to E. L. Shute and Mrs. Shute 8-21
beat J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths 23-20
beat A. L. Fisher and Mrs. Kirkwood 21-13
J. J. Remedios and Miss C. Silva (Recreio "A")
lost to Shute and Shute 20-27
beat Anderson and Griffiths 21-18
beat Fisher and Kirkwood 21-11
M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A")
beat Shute and Shute 21-9
beat Anderson and Griffiths 24-21
beat Fisher and Kirkwood 21-11

League Table To Date

Club	Games	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
C. E. C.	10	9	1	67	23	18	
Fire Brigade	10	8	2	69	21	16	
Recreio "A"	7	6	1	51	12	12	
Recreio "B"	9	6	3	56	25	12	
St. John's	11	5	6	47	52	10	
St. Andrew's	8	3	5	28	44	6	
Kowloon Tong	9	2	7	28	57	4	
Taikoo	9	2	7	21	60	4	
S. and S. Home	9	0	9	13	68	0	

Not that Gavro meant anything to her. She had, in fact, the meanest opinion of the man whose name she bore.

But Gavro was the only son of Peter Yovan, who by craft and usury had made himself the richest man in that part of Macedonia. And Gavro would inherit two con-

MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "The General's Dilemma," by Albert Jarosy.

siderable farms, as well as the large sum of money in the Blagoy branch of the National Bank that now stood to the credit of the old and decrepit Peter.

What did it matter, then, to the gipsy girl that Gavro was a fool and a weakling whom she could either fascinate or bully as she pleased? Enough for her that he was able and willing to lavish more money on her than any other man in the district could afford to do.

Nor had Shula a grain of compassion for Sara, the girl whom she had supplanted. What did she care about that moon-faced peasant girl? If a woman had not charm enough to hold a lover to her side she had no right to complain when another woman captured him.

Twice Shula had met Sara in the streets of Blagoy. Nor had the gipsy girl shrunk from the encounter. Haughtily she had thrown back her head in defiance and deliberately had rattled on her shapely arms the gold bangles she wore—trinkets that had once been Sara's pride. To the victor the spoils.

But yet all was not as Shula would have liked. Gavro was bestowing on her every penny he earned himself and whatever money he could cajole from his miserly father. But not until Peter died could Shula gratify her ambitions and acquire the fortune that she meant to be hers. When that time came and Old Yovan's hoard was in her hands—finish Gavro! She would drop him without a moment's hesitation and would go to live in Belgrade—why not Pest or Vienna?—where her beauty could shine in a proper setting.

Soon, she hoped, Peter would die. He was an old man. Why should he continue to live? Old men—old women, for that matter—had no real reason for existence. They merely sat in arm-chairs, over the fire in winter, outside the door in summer, and kept on being alive, without living.

Once Peter was dead, she could do what she liked with Gavro and his inheritance. Why, already she had induced Gavro to make a will by which every penny he possessed was to be hers. The will, properly drawn up and witnessed, was now carefully hidden in a receptacle behind a loose brick in the fireplace of the cottage.

The grasping mind of the gipsy wench went a bit further. What a pity that when Peter died she would not be able to enjoy his wealth without having the wretched Gavro tacked to it! If only Gavro would follow his aged parent, all her problems would be solved. She would have no more gifts to ask of Heaven.

But wishing did not get one very far. Action was needed. And was it not possible that something could be done to further her desires? After all, life in Macedonia was very cheap. Vendettas still flourished. In the mountains comitadjis plied their lawless trade. And there had been many talks of late of the bands of smugglers that crossed and recrossed the frontier, and often came into conflict with the armed guards. In an atmosphere such as that, a couple of murders would cause no excitement.

Therefore, one morning, when Gavro had left the cottage early to go to look after his father's farms, Shula set out across the mountains, to Nevlik, a village about eight miles away. She went in search of Prifko, the Bulgarian, and him she was fortunate enough to find at home.

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British shipping companies operating in the Far East, and masters of all vessels concerned, are warned that should vessels, when in the Formosa Channel, desire shelter, they must select Takao, Amping or other open port in the vicinity.

The s.s. Santhia is due here from Singapore on the morning of Wednesday next.

TRIANGULAR AQUATIC MEET FOR TO-NIGHT

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The following is the programme:—
Men's 50 Yards Free Style.
Men's 100 Yards Breast Stroke.
Men's 50 Yards Back Stroke.
Ladies' 50 Yards Free Style.
Crocodile Race.
Men's 200 Yards Free Style.
Men's 200 Yards Free Style Relay.
Men's Diving (Header, Swallow, Jack Knife, Optional, Header, High Board).
Water-Polo (Karlruhe v. Dorset-shire).

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ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

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Hong Kong, Friday, 14th February, 1936.

GENERAL

Efficiency Medal And Clasp
In accordance with regulation 8 of the Regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters concerning The Efficiency Medal in regard to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, published as Notification No. 579 in the Gazette of 2nd August, 1935, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize the following awards:—

Efficiency Medal And Clasp

R. S. Major William Harold Edmonds, M.B.E.
C.Q.M. Sergeant Tom Bolt.
Piper Percival Douglas Wilson.

Efficiency Medal

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Private Alfred Morley.
Gunner Henry Thomas Buxton.

Private George Hamilton Out-hill.
Sergeant William Francis Webb.
Private Hermann Balean.

PARADE

Corps 1st Battery

"A" Section:—
Parade at Belcher's Fort on Thursday, 20th instant at 6 p.m. Dress—Overalls, Blue Cap and Gun Platform Shoes.

"B" Section:—

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, 21st instant at 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls.

"A" Section Camp

This will be held at Pak Shai Wan from Friday, 28th instant to Sunday, 1st March and also from Friday, 6th March to Sunday, 8th March 1936. Firing will take place on the night of Saturday, 29th (3 p.m. sub-calibre) and 6th half charge by day on Sunday 1st March and by night on Saturday, March 7th.

Corps Engineers

Parade at Miniature Range on Monday, 17th February at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, 20th February, 1936

D. L. Training at Belcher's Fort from 6 to 8 p.m. Dress—Overalls.

Corps Signals

Parades will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th and Thursday, 20th February, 1936.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, 18th February 1936 at 5.30 p.m. for Vickers Gun Instruction.

Motor Machine Gun Section

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 17th February at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company

Friday, 21st February, 1936—There will be no parade this week.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 20th February at 5.30 p.m. prompt for Machine Gun Training.

Recruit under Corporal Bryden. Remainder under Sergt. Stopand-Thompson will proceed to Kennedy Road Range.

Part III Rifle—Members who have not fired this Test for the current Training Season are reminded that they must do so on Sunday, 1st March 1936.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

The Company will parade at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 17th February for Machine Gun Training and Classification.

Subjects—Shipping and Assembling.

Dress—Muffs, no equipment.

Those detailed in Company, etc., 20.1.36, will parade in the Miniature Range on Thursday, 20th February at 5.30 p.m.

Dress—Muffs, no equipment.

M. G. R. Signal Section.

Wednesday, 18th February, 1936.

Section will parade for instruction.



Charles Lingham and Clarke Gable in "Madam on the Beach" with Franchot Tone, showing to-day at the King's and Alhambra Theatres.

tions in Subsections as follows:—
Subsection "A" V/T—Station work. Complete messages. Figure check. Reference—"Signal Training" Chapter X, Section 65 to 69.

Subsection "B" L/T—Preparation of Cable Drums for Combined Operations. Permanent Jointing. Reference—"Signal Training" Chapter VIII, Section 44.

Subsection "C" W/T—Erection Type C Field Set.

Subsection "D" D/R—Map Reading.

Corps Infantry

Parade.—Tuesday, February 18th at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters. Details as per Appendix.

Stonecutters Range—Part III Musketry—All members who have to fire Part III and who have not yet done so are reminded that this is the last occasion on which they will be able to fire for efficiency.

Corps Infantry Small Arms Competitions and Interport Shoot will take place in conjunction with the above on Sunday, 23rd February, 1936.

Details as issued to each member of the Unit. All are urged to attend.

Range Officer:—To be detailed on the Range.

Transfer.—Pte. A. C. Xavier is transferred to No. 11 Platoon.

The following qualified as Marksmen on Sunday, 9th February, 1936.

Sergt. F. V. V. Ribeiro, 85—No. 12 Platoon.

Corpl. V. M. Nunes, 85—No. 10 Platoon.

Pte. E. A. V. Remedios, 85—No. 12 Platoon.

Pte. A. Aquino, 89—No. 12 Platoon.

Reversion

Lance Corporal A. C. Xavier, No. 10 Platoon, Corps Infantry, reverts to ranks at his own request as from 14th February, 1936.

Lecture Room Allotment

Friday, 27th March 1936—Sergeants' Mess.

Leave

Captain J. S. Rodrigues, Corps Infantry, granted leave as from 4th February to 31st July, 1936.

No. 1708 L/Corpl. H. W. Brown, Corps Engineers, granted leave from 22.2.36 to 31.3.36.

No. 1694 Pte. S. A. Gray, Reserve Section B, granted leave from 20.2.36 to 19.2.1937.

STRUCK OFF THE STRENGTH Permitted To Resign

No. 1754 Pte. M. Ferguson, No. 2 (Scottish) Company, as from 14.2.36.

Left The Colony

No. 2112 Gunner R.T.O. Lamert, 1st Battery, as from 7.2.36.

No. 869 Pte. W. C. B. Watson, Reserve Section A, as from 14.2.36.

No. 2031 Pte. Klot-Heydenfeldt, A.S.C. Cadre, as from 14.2.36.

No. 1833 Pte. P. Vickers, A.S.C. Cadre, as from 14.2.36.

STRENGTH

No. 2551 Gunner A. A. Crestejo, Battery—"L" Section, 7.2.36.

No. 2553 Sapper, W. A. Gardner, Corps Engineers, 10.2.36.

No. 2582 Private, W. G. Schnitzel, No. 1 (M.G.) Coy, 7.2.36.

No. 2554 Private, Lau Ming Sai, No. 3 (M.G.) Coy, 13.2.36.

No. B716 Private, J. Thomas, Reserve Section B, 10.2.36.

Captain

(Sds.) R. C. B. ANDERSON: Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Corps.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Corps.

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

The following have passed the examination in Home Nursing held on 10th February, 1936:

Mrs. Pezz, Mrs. Covins, Mrs. Cook, Miss. Enns, Mrs. Elpid, Miss. M. Gardner, Miss. J. J. Miss. C. King, Mrs. Sharpe, Mrs. Chaswell, Mrs. Deacon, Miss. Dawson, Miss. Frow, Miss. Gordon Smith, Mrs.

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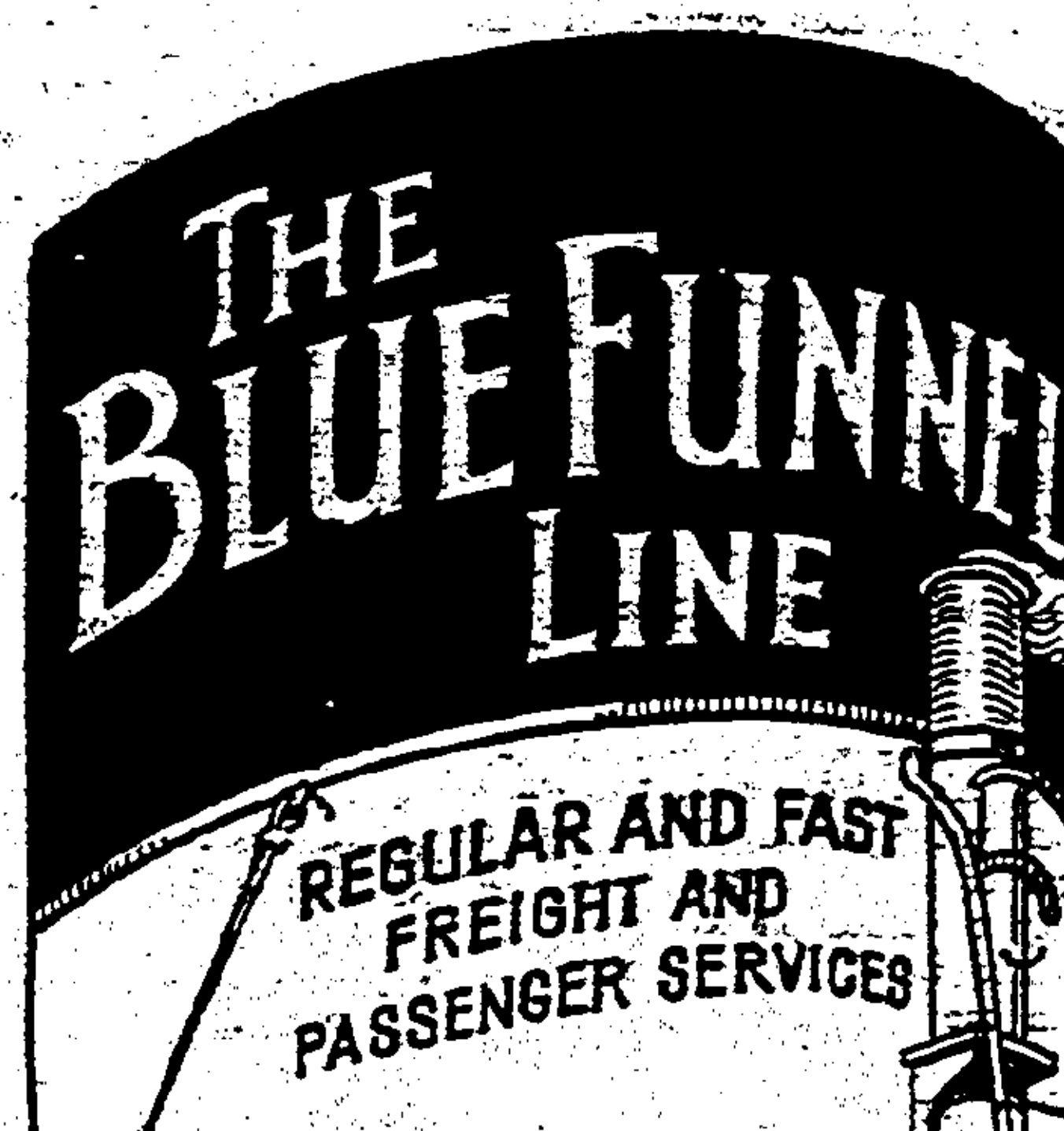
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King Gustav laid the foundation-stone of this Jubilee clinic, which is almost completed.

The main building of the city will be shaped like an "H," with the two sides just over 200 yards long. It will be seven storeys high, with a roof for sunbathing. Other features of the hygienic town will be:

Operating theatre, X-ray rooms, laboratory and big lecturing halls, in the central building.

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"We started the first sketches and designs in 1931 when Parliament granted the necessary money," he said, "and in 1932 the work on roads and excavations began."

Architects, he said, had made tours nearly all over the world to study the latest inventions. The head surgeons, physicians, managers, principal nurses and kitchen experts had all made extensive exploration tours. Afterwards they discussed the designs with the contractors and engineers.

DEFENCES AGAINST ATTACK

(Continued from Page 6)

Root Cause

Herein lies the root cause of our decline to the position of a subordinate Air Power, and the explanation of the fact that until last year no more than 3s. in every £ of our defence expenditure went to the "Air." 10s. to the Navy and 7s. to the Army.

Although the Royal Air Force now receives a slightly larger share, the distribution still bears no relation to realities. For not only can the Navy and Army do nothing to preserve us from a knockout blow from the skies, but in the event of a Continental war, the efficiency of these forces themselves is absolutely dependent upon adequate defence in the air.

Failing such defence our Navy could be quickly immobilised by the destruction of its bases, and our shipping be sunk wholesale in home waters and in port. And the aerial limitations to naval action automatically involve the Army, for this is dependent upon shipping for conveyance over seas.

In point of fact, each of the major roles of sea power—home defence, protection of shipping, even co-operation in landward defence (as the present situation in the Mediterranean shows)—has been modified, or seriously com-

promised, by the evolution of the new arm. And the potency and scope of this are constantly increasing.

It is not only the intensive expansion of foreign air fleets—commercial as well as military—that concerns us, but the prodigious progress in aircraft performance. For example, the latest American bomber has a flying range of 2,000 miles carrying a load of two tons, and there is reason to think that at least one type of bomber on the Continent has a similar performance.

A single squadron of such aircraft could in one trip drop six times the weight in bombs dropped in the most destructive raid on London in the Great War. It could strike a far heavier blow than the latest type of battleship, for whereas the nine 16in. guns of a ship of the Nelson class fire a salvo of 18,432lb., the air squadron's salvo of bombs would weigh 53,760lb.

Revaluation Needed. This, of course, does not imply that navies can now be dispensed with; but it emphasises both the need for a revaluation of armaments and the jeopardy of our position as sixth or seventh Air Power.

First and foremost, rearmament should make good this immense disparity in the overriding arm. For this is cardinal need that transcends every other defensive requirement. But no such course is foreshadowed. Our home defence programme provides for no more than 1,500 first-line aircraft by 1937. This number would not bring us within sight of equality with the strongest European Power if we possessed them today.

PENSIONS FOR INFLATE WORKERS. A scheme to provide a weekly pension at 6/- for inflator workers has been approved at Swansea by representatives of employers and workmen.

First Things First

(Continued from Page 2.)

"So," said he, "all thou needest is that these two men, the old man and the husband shall die. Then thou wilt be rich."

"That is so," replied Shula. "I shall be rich and I will go to Belgrade to live; maybe Pest or Vienna."

"With me," asked Prifko boldly.

Shula looked at him admiringly. "Yes. With thee. When I have the money, we will go together."

"That is a promise," said Prifko gravely. "I know thou wilt keep thy word to me." Then he added quite simply, "If thou dost not I will kill thee and take thy money."

And he showed his large white teeth in a smile. "There was that Ramonitch, the Rumanian. He stole half the money we got for a parcel of drugs we smuggled into Sofia." He tapped his hip-pocket significantly. "He is dead."

Shula understood, but was not afraid. There would be ample money for them both when the property of Old Yovan was in her hands, and she saw no objection to sharing her life with Prifko. He was a man, not a timid fool and snacking like Gavro.

Next the two formed a small committee of ways and means to carry out their plans.

The assassinations, it was agreed, had better be carried out at night. Prifko, it was true, was little known in Blagoy. The wall of mountains kept it apart from Nevik. But Prifko's tall figure was one that might be easily recognised, so it would be wise to let darkness veil the act of murder.

As for the weapon—a bomb, both decided, was ideal. With a bomb, Old Yovan's life would be snapped in a flash.

Then it would be well to let a little time elapse before dealing with Gavro. In the meantime it would be easy to spread the story around that the old man's death was the outcome of a vendetta sworn against him and his by some enemy whom he had outwitted in a lawsuit or otherwise defrauded. Old Peter's murky past made this a plausible suggestion.

"When the old man is dead," said Shula, "I will come here and see thee, and we can arrange the rest."

That was agreed, and Shula promised, by the evolution of the new arm. And the potency and scope of this are constantly increasing.

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toiled back over the mountains to Blagoy.

Prifko prepared his bomb with elaborate care. It was a primitive affair, lacking the precision of the modern bomb, but still quite capable of carrying out its purpose. And Prifko was not going to let bad work spoil the hopes that Shula's proposition had aroused in him.

For, though a mountaineer born and trained, he had long since hankered after city life. The lights and scenes of Belgrade, which he had once visited, lingered gratefully in his memory, and he now began to plan a joyous future for himself.

When he had done the job of work now before him, that is, disposed of Peter and Gavro Yovan, he would go with Shula to Belgrade—maybe to Pest or Vienna. He would, by force or adroit persuasion, get possession of the Yovan nest-egg. He was not the man to let a woman rule the roost.

Then, if he found that Shula wearied him—as she probably would—he would drop her red-hot. There were other wenches aplenty in the Balkans. And with money one could go far.

Three days later he crossed the mountains to carry out his pact with the gipsy girl.

In the afternoon he left Nevik on the road to Stapor, which was in the opposite direction to Blagoy. He was, he told his neighbours, going to inquire about a strayed mule.

But as soon as he got out of sight of the village he left the road, and by smuggling paths made his way through a ravine to Blagoy, where he arrived several hours after dark. On the outskirts of the little town stood the home of Peter Yovan.

Prifko approached the house warily. Luckily, nobody seemed to be abroad and no dog barked. A light in a window on the lower floor drew his attention and he glided noiselessly up to the wall beside it. It was a warm night and the french windows had been thrown open.

Voices within could be heard, and peeping around the corner of the window, Prifko caught sight of the old man in his chair, while between him and the window Gavro himself stood erect.

This was almost too good to be true, Prifko thought. The Macedonians are not unaware of the saying about killing two birds with one stone.

Carefully he drew from under his coat the home-made bomb, banged the raised portion against the wall, and then, after a pause of a few seconds, flung the missile at the upstanding figure. It struck Gavro in the back. As it did Prifko sank to the ground and lay prone.

The next moment came a terrific roar, followed by the crash of shattered woodwork and masonry. Before the noise had died away, Prifko had dashed to the shelter of a little clump of trees about ten yards distant.

The sequel to the explosion took place in the office of Constant Stavropol, who was not only the Crown Prosecutor for the Blagoy area but was also the chief notary, assessor, and general man of law of the town.

This morning he was busy in his office when two visitors were announced, a man and a woman. The man gave his name as Stefan Prifko, but the rakish-looking beauty who accompanied him called herself Shula. Surname she did not seem to bother about.

Stavropol knew her by appearance and by repute.

"I am Shula's friend," said Prifko simply. "We are betrothed."

The notary nodded.

"It is this for which we have come," said Shula, drawing a document from the breast of her velvet gown. "It is the will of Gavro Yovan. He was killed by a bomb."

"I do not know. He is dead; that is all that matters now. In this paper he gives me all his money, yes. I wish you to take the paper and go to the Court and get for me the money." Then she added, "And soon."

M. Stavropol took the paper and glanced at it.

"But," he said, "there is so little to inherit anything. He died too soon. The bomb killed him instantaneously, while his father lived for half-an-hour. Therefore, Gavro died before his father and could not inherit anything. This paper—and he waved the

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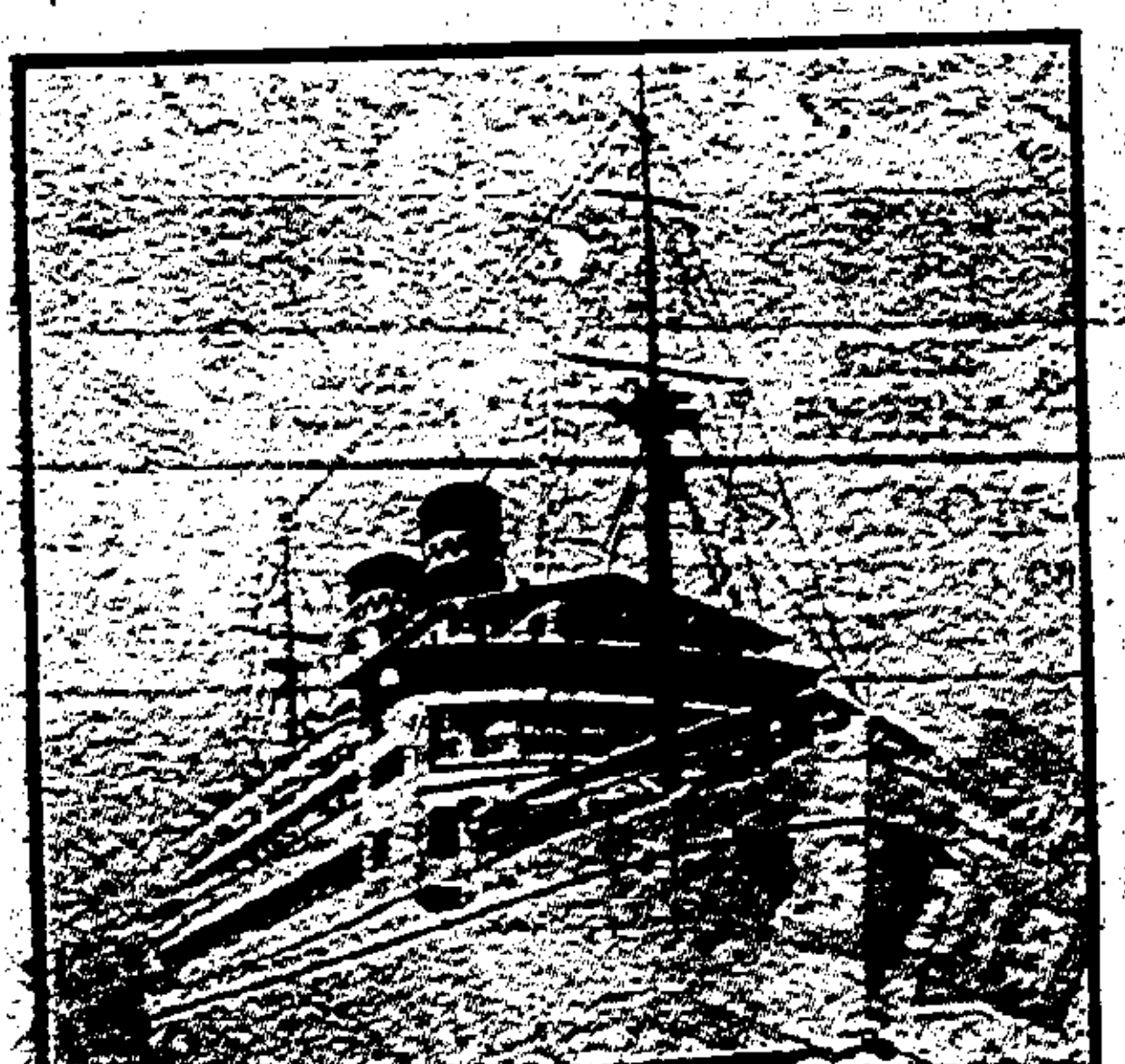
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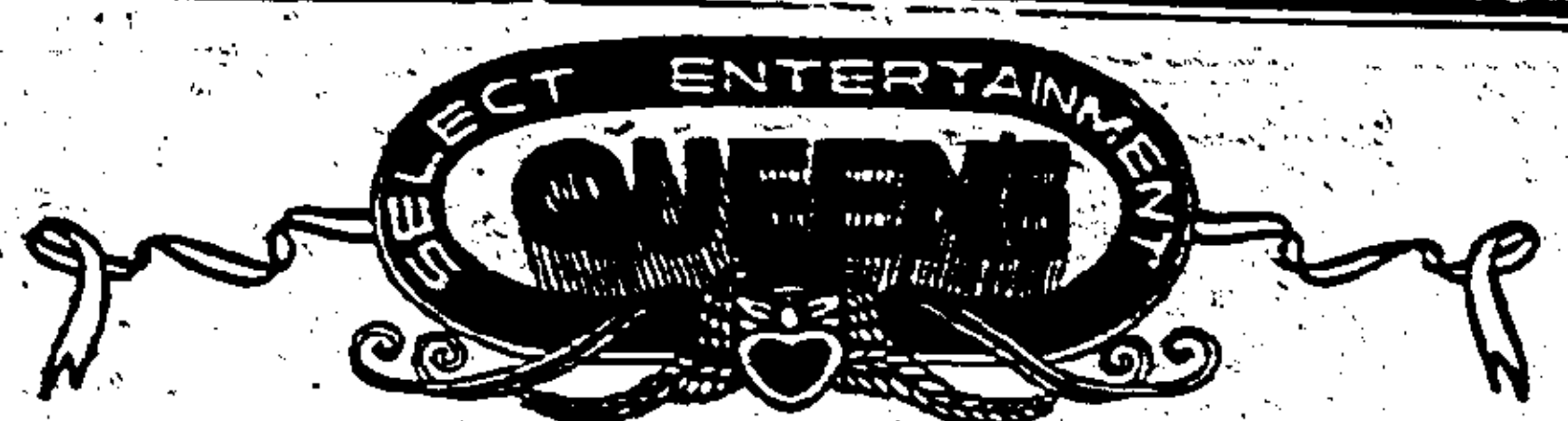
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"King's Building"

last will and testament—"means nothing," Gavro, when he died, had practically nothing to leave." For a few moments Shula stared at him with perplexity written on her brow. It decided that time for her to get to grips with the situation. All at once came complete understanding.

"With the bound of a tigress she leapt to her feet and turned to Prifko, dealing him a resounding smack in the face.

"Then fool!" she screamed with murderous passion. "Thou hast killed the wrong man first!" (The End.)



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LONDON IN NEW LIGHT

Former Blind Girl's Impressions

"A FAIRYLAND OF COLOUR"

It is the scale and size of London that stagger most country folk on their first sight of the capital.

But what amazes Miss Madge Brewer, the 25-year-old Wiltshire girl who can now see after a lifetime of blindness in the little town of Calne, is something quite unexpected—its colour.

With her mother, Miss Brewer has recently been making a round of London's wonders, and her verdicts upon them are unusual because her standards are unique.

Nine operations failed to make her see. The 10th succeeded, but she cannot yet place the form of things in a normal perspective, and when she saw the Houses of Parliament yesterday she voted them dull, because they looked so black in the rain.

Only By Colour

The lights have to be lit before she is really impressed.

"You see," she said after a tour of the buildings that most make provincials envy London, "I do not know much about shapes, and I can only tell a new church or house from an old one by its colour."

"I thought London would be grey in the daytime and dark at night, and I imagined the Tube as an uncanny sort of place. It is exciting to find so much light."

"What I had read about London in my Braille books gave me no idea of all the electric signs. They make the place a sort of fairyland for me. I suppose it is because I have lived so long in darkness."

Delight at Pantomime

Light and colour were her theme again when she went in the afternoon to "Jack and the Beanstalk" at Drury-lane. She was charmed by the mechanical ingenuity that makes the beanstalk grow before one's eyes, but her chief gratification was kept for the brilliant scene when the giant's castle is revealed in flashing lights, and for the finale, when all the cast appear in their richest costumes.

Miss Brewer still finds reflections a little confusing, and the rain that made the streets mirror the traffic they carried made her wonder how the buses and taxis managed to miss each other.

Peculiarities

Knowing less than most people of what to anticipate, she is finding peculiarities where others discover the expected. The sculptures that crowd the Abbey, the unparlike layout of Hyde Park, the nearness of Buckingham Palace to the road—these were novel for her as they could not be for the newcomer who already knows of London from pictures and reading.

One night she went to a cinema. The programme pleased her, but she got most joy from the interval, when changing combinations of lights were played upon a silken curtain. Only an artist, perhaps, could fully understand this passion for colour unhelped by any pattern.

OPEN VERDICT ON WOMAN

2 Kinds Of Broken Heart

BROTHER'S QUESTION IN COURT

After an open verdict had been returned at a Battersea inquest last month, on Marion Gradbury, aged 49, of Endle-sham-road, Balham, who was found unconscious in bed and died in hospital, a brother of the woman stood up at the back of the court and asked the coroner, Dr. Edwin Smith: "Do you preclude the possibility of a broken heart?"

The Coroner: There are two kinds of broken heart—one that the novelists write about and an actual broken heart, which means a ruptured heart. This was not present in this case.

When the brother said that he believed there was trouble at home, Dr. Smith replied: "We cannot pursue that matter in this court."

Analyst's Evidence

Dr. John Ryffel, analyst of Guy's Hospital, said that he found 30 grains of medinal in the body. Mrs. Gradbury must have taken at least 50 grains, which was a fatal dose.

The coroner said that the actual cause of death was bronchial pneumonia, but the drugs were a factor in the death. No one could say whether they had been taken accidentally or intentionally.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED

Receiving Order Against Singer

It was announced in a recent "London Gazette" that a receiving order had been made against Mr. Clarence Nathaniel Johnstone, under the bankruptcy Acts, on debtor's petition.

Mr. Johnstone, the coloured singer, formerly appeared with a partner on the music-hall stage as Layton and Johnstone. The partnership ended last November after lasting more than 11 years.

In the same month Mr. Johnstone married Mrs. Albert Sandler, formerly the wife of Mr. Albert Sandler, the violinist.

PREHISTORIC REMAINS

Professor's Find In Switzerland

BONES OF EXTINCT ANIMALS

Berne—The oldest identifiable prehistoric remains ever found in Switzerland, have been discovered in the Kalkbrennen, near Berne.

Human skeletons, the bones of extinct animals, including the wild horse, giant stag and reindeer, and over 3,000 stone implements are among the discoveries. Some of the animals have been extinct for thousands of years in this region.

The discovery was made by Professor Kohler, a Swiss naturalist, when exploring a cave known as "the heathen's kitchen."

Curious Hole

The professor's attention was attracted by a curious hole some 16 inches in diameter, in the roof. He enlarged the hole and was eventually able to squeeze through it. He then found himself in one of a series of caves, some of them 60 feet in length.

Chipping through the limestone and silt which had formed on the floor of the cave, M. Kohler discovered three different layers of rock. Each contained human remains and some bore traces of fire.

PUT UP "VERY GOOD FIGHT"

Architect Befriends Accused Man STOKER'S BUSY LIFE

Mr. Arnold William Harwood, an architect, described at London Sessions recently how he had befriended the man in the dock, who it was stated, had five previous convictions. The man, whose wife had died while he was in custody, was Bernard Arthur Beagle, aged 34, a stoker, and he pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a doctor's house at Regent's Park.

Mr. Harwood said he had helped Beagle to obtain work after his discharge from prison. Beagle's wife was hopelessly incapacitated, and when Beagle got home from work he had to clean the house, nurse his wife, and look after the next seasons.

\$5,335 GIVEN FOR "JUNK"

Valuable Firedogs Discovered

ACQUIRED BY LOUVRE

Budapest—A pair of firedogs, after lying in a heap of "rubbish" for years, started on a journey just two months ago. Now they have reached the Louvre, in Paris, and their value has meanwhile increased from nothing to over \$5,000.

In a certain castle in Hungary lay "a lot of junk" which the owner decided must be cleared out. An art dealer from Budapest was sent for and asked to price the "rubbish." There was furniture, china—much of it broken—and pictures—many of them damaged. There were thousands of etchings. And the firedogs.

\$400 For The Lot

"I'll pay \$400 for the lot," said the dealer.

"Right, take it away," agreed the owner of the "junk." So the dealer took it all away. In Budapest, he looked carefully at the firedogs. Then he wrote a letter to a friend in Vienna.

Price Goes Up

The Vienna dealer got in touch with a firm in Lucerne. The firedogs then passed to the Lucerne dealer for \$1,200, next day a Paris expert got them for \$2,000, and he resold them in Paris for \$2,200.

The new buyer took them to the Louvre. Then they were said to be the work of Francois Germain, the famous bronze founder of Louis XV.

So the firedogs have now been acquired by the Louvre for 400,000 francs (\$5,335).

MODERN 'SUICIDAL' HABIT

Methylated Spirit Drinking

When William Spencer, aged 54, of Torquay, was fined £1 or 14 days at Paignton recently for being drunk on methylated spirit, Mr. J. J. Alexander (chairman) said: "The law takes stern measures with some drugs, and before long it may be necessary to take steps about the circulation of methylated spirit for drinking."

"Ordinary intoxicants are bad enough, but methylated spirit is suicidal. The result may be blindness, insanity, or permanent physical disablement."

Spencer declared that he bought half a pint of methylated spirit because of the cold weather. "Next time you are cold take hot milk and water," advised Mr. Alexander.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Rise

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/3½d.

"Spot" silver advanced ¼ to 20 while "forward" rose ½ to 19½. The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.98½, as compared with \$-U.S.\$4.98½, while the New York on London cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.99½, as compared with \$-U.S.\$4.98½.

ASKARI DESERT

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did not at all form a topic of the conversation.—Trans-Ocean Service.

VICTORY CONCEDED Rome: The Abyssinian victory at Curati is officially confirmed, but it is stated that the place was only an observation post.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

NEUTRALITY BILL EXTENDED Washington: The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives unanimously approved a bill extending the Neutrality Law until May 1, 1937. An almost identical measure was approved by the Senate committee.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

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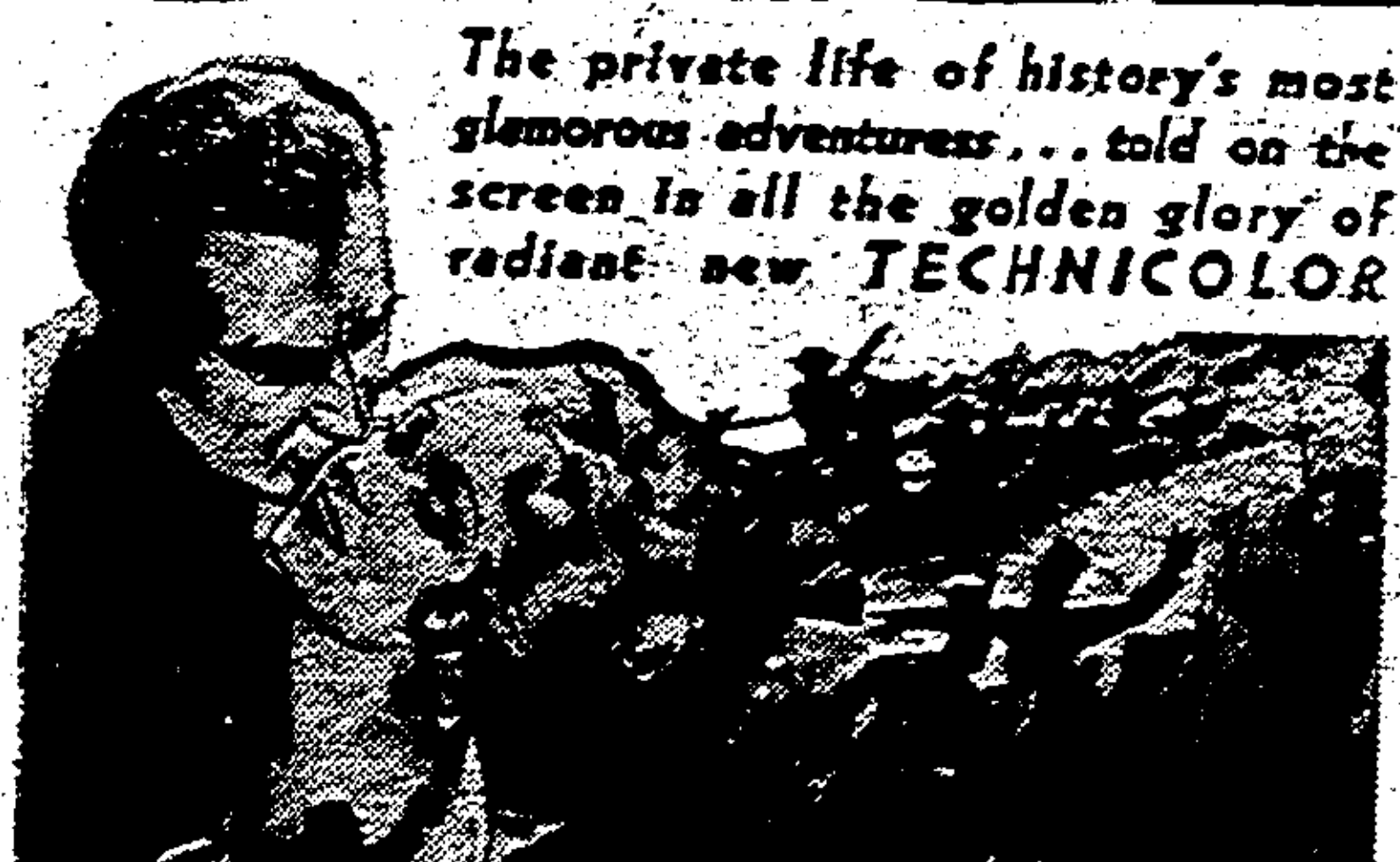
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